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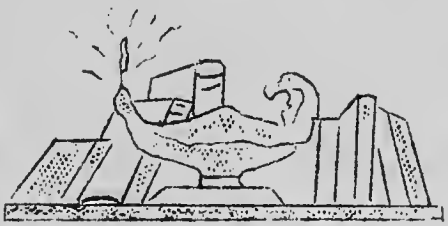

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Conference on Professional Counseling and Placement Service, Raleigh, April 30, 1948.
Finals in State Contest to Crown "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948," Raleigh, April 20.

REPORT OF HEADQUARTERS' OFFICE
of the
NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION
415 Commercial Bldg., Raleigh, N.C.
October 1, 1947 - September 30, 1948
Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R.N., Executive Secretary

Membership, as of December 31, 1947----------3,074
Membership, as of September 30, 1948----------2,985
Letters written----------4,426
Cards written---------- 90
Packages dispatched---------- 129
Membership transfers:
From one state nurses' association to another---------- 44
From one district nurses' association to another---------- 39
History of Nursing in North Carolina--copies sold---------- 40
Conferences recorded---------- 106

Field Work:
Districts One, Two, Four, Six and Seven were visited at least one. Conferred with officers of District Three.
Institutional Staff Nurse Sections in Districts One, Three, Five and Nine were visited.
Two nurses' clubs, one alumnae association and one private duty nurses' club were visited.

Meetings Attended by Executive Secretary:

National
ANA Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, Washington, D. C., October 22, 1947; New York, January 17, 1948.
Committee on Structure of the National Nursing Organizations, New York, November 11-12, 1947, January 16, February 27-28, 1948.
ANA Advisory Council, New York, January 17-18, 1948.
ANA Committee on Employment Conditions for Nurses, San Francisco, California, April 10-11, 1948.
ANA Conference on Economic Security for Institutional Staff Nurses, San Francisco, California, April 7-8-9-10-12, 1948.
Biennial Convention of A.N.A., N.L.N.E. and N.O.P.H.N., Chicago, Illinois, May 31 - June 4, 1948.

Regional
Board of Directors, Southern Division of A.N.A., New York, January 17, 1948.
Southern Division Luncheon, Chicago, Illinois, June 2, 1948.

State
Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, Asheville, October 13-18, 1947.
Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, January 10, 1948.
Officers of Institutional Staff Nurse Section of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, Raleigh, February 9, 1948.
Conference on Professional Counseling and Placement Service, Raleigh, April 30, 1948.
Finals in State Contest to Crown "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948," Raleigh, April 20.

Workshop on Public Relations of North Carolina State Nurses' Association (ANA Sound-film Workshop), Raleigh, August 13.
State Legislative Council, Raleigh, November 19, 1947; February 20, 1948.
Committee on Labor, State Legislative Council, Raleigh, January 14.
Conference of ten representatives of North Carolina Association of Negro Registered Nurses, Inc., and representatives of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, Raleigh, January 9.
Annual Convention, North Carolina Association of Negro Registered Nurses, Inc., Greensboro, June 25.
Conference of representatives of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and North Carolina Licensed Practical Nurse Association, Inc., Raleigh, September 13.
North Carolina Health Education Conference, Charlotte, November 12-13, 1947.
Study Committee to Consider the Organization of a State Health Council, Raleigh, February 20; Chapel Hill, April 29; Raleigh, August 24.
Nursing Section, Safety Conference, North Carolina Industrial Commission, Raleigh, May 7.
Annual Meeting, North Carolina Tuberculosis Association, Raleigh, May 17-18.
North Carolina Conference of Social Service (Child Welfare), Raleigh, September 28.

State Committees

Joint Committee on Student Nurse Recruitment of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and North Carolina League of Nursing Education, Raleigh, February 4.
Joint Committee on Education of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and North Carolina League of Nursing Education, Raleigh, June 16.
Advisory Committee of North Carolina State Nurses' Association to Committee on Nursing Education and Service of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Raleigh, June 16.
Committee on Professional Counseling and Placement Service, Durham, February 5.
Committee on Nominations, Raleigh, June 11.
Committee on Program, Raleigh, June 12.
Committee on Structure, Raleigh, June 29.
Committee on Legislation, Raleigh, June 30.
Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, Raleigh, August 27.

Miscellaneous Work Done by Executive Secretary:

Prepared copy and edited all issues of the Tar Heel Nurse, official publication of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.
Compiled and edited Proceedings for 1947 Annual Convention.
Prepared pamphlet "Circular of Information for District Officers."
Compiled and sent supplies such as membership cards and forms and transfer forms to district officers.
Prepared article for Better Health, official publication of the North Carolina Social Hygiene Society, "Behind the Headlines."
Prepared article on nursing for Year Book of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.
Addressed North Carolina Health Education Conference, Charlotte, November 13, 1947, on "Better Health Today and Tomorrow Through Nursing."
Spoke to nurses writing State Board Examinations regarding the value of membership in the professional nursing organizations.
Served as member of Board of Directors and three committees of North Carolina Tuberculosis Association.
Addressed graduating class, N. C. Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, May 14.

REPORT OF COUNSELING AND PLACEMENT SERVICE OFFICE
of the
NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION
415 Commercial Building, Raleigh, N. C.
October 1, 1947 - September 30, 1948
Helen E. Peeler, R.N., Counselor

Pieces of outgoing mail	3,230
Nurse Application Forms sent out	657
Nurse Application Forms received	82
Job Description Forms sent out	78
Job Description Forms received	69
Confidential Notices of vacancies referred to applicants	67
Total conferences with nurses and students	98
Total conferences with employers of nurses	25
Total number of other conferences	42
Total number of Professional Biographies of Nurses on file	191
Total number of open positions for nurses on file	186
Total number of tests given throughout the state	120
Total number of positions filled and assisted in filling by Counselor	13
Total number of registrants placed and assisted placed by Counselor	24

Special Courses of Study Attended by Counselor:

In-Service Training Program at the National Branch Office of the A.N.A. Professional Counseling and Placement Service, Inc., February 13, 14 19, 1948, Chicago, Illinois.

Institute on Organization and Administration of Schools of Nursing, June 7-9, 1948, Duke University, Durham.

Institute on Mental Hygiene, July 26-28, 1948, Duke University, Durham.

Field Work

Two Counseling days held in the Wilmington Area and three Counseling days in the Winston-Salem, Asheville and Charlotte Areas.

Visited three district nurses' associations (Districts One, Four and Eight) and Alamance Nurses' Club and talked about the Counseling and Placement Service, the program of work of the State Nurses' Association and Recruitment of Student Nurses. Also visited District Seven and two alumnae associations.

Talked to senior classes at nine schools of nursing, the student body at one school of nursing, the graduate staff of five hospitals and four groups of public health staff nurses regarding the Professional Counseling and Placement Service.

Talked with one group of pre-clinical students regarding "Nursing as a Profession."

Prepared and maintained a booth on Counseling and Placement at the State Nurses' Convention in Asheville, October 15-17, 1947, and at the North Carolina Health Education Conference in Charlotte in November.

Visited Vocational Advisors in eight high schools and held conferences with prospective students.

Accompanied Miss Geraldine Maxwell, "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1947," and Mrs. Ann McSwain Harrell, "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948," on a Recruitment Tour through the state participating in radio programs and visiting high schools, colleges and civic organizations in various cities and small towns in North Carolina.

Talked to State Board examinees regarding Counseling and Placement Service and membership in the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and held conferences March 24 and 25, 1948.

Administered Pre-Nursing and Guidance Tests to one hundred and eight prospective student nurses in Winston-Salem, Raleigh and Wilmington, June 19, July 3 and August 2, 1948.
Administered eight Achievement and Mental Ability Tests to nursing school applicants to establish high school equivalency.
Administered four Basic Information and Judgment Tests to registrants.
Visited Veterans Guidance Center, State College, Raleigh, August 23, 1948.

Meetings Attended by Counselor:

National
Conference for Registrars and Counselors, February 16-18, 1948, Chicago, Illinois.
Advisory Council of A.N.A., May 30, 1948, Chicago, Illinois.
Biennial Convention of A.N.A., N.L.N.E. and N.O.P.H.N., May 30 - June 4, 1948.
Meeting of ANA Committee on Public Relations with representatives of state nurses' associations, June 23, 1948, New York City.
Meeting of the Sub-committee of the A.N.A. Committee on Public Relations, August 17, 1948, New York City.

State
Annual meeting of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, October 13-17, 1947, Asheville.
Conference of ten representatives of the North Carolina Association of Negro Registered Nurses, Inc., and representatives of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, January 9, 1948, Raleigh.
Call meeting of the Board of Directors, North Carolina State Nurses' Association, January 10, 1948, Raleigh.
North Carolina Rural Health Conference, February 27, 1948, Chapel Hill.
Institute for Institutional Staff Nurses, March 4-5, 1948, Raleigh.
Midyear Advisory Council Meeting and Board of Directors, March 5-6, 1948, Raleigh.
Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Hospital Association, April 14, 1948, Winston-Salem.
Study Committee for Health Council, April 29, 1948, Chapel Hill.
Conference on the Professional Counseling and Placement Service, April 30, 1948, Raleigh.
Nursing Section of State-wide Industrial Safety Conference, May 7, 1948, Raleigh.
Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Association of Negro Registered Nurses, Inc., Bennett College, June 25, 1948, Greensboro.
A.N.A. Public Relations Workshop, August 13, 1948, Raleigh.
Meeting of representatives of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and the North Carolina Association for Licensed Practical Nurses, Inc., September 13, 1948, Raleigh.

State Committees
Advisory Committee to the Committee on Nursing Education and Service of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, December 6, 1947, Raleigh.
Joint Committee on Student Nurse Recruitment of North Carolina State Nurses' Association and North Carolina League of Nursing Education, February 4, 1948, Raleigh.
Professional Counseling and Placement Service, February 5, 1948, Durham.
Student Nurse Enrollment Committee of the North Carolina League of Nursing Education, March 4, 1948, Raleigh.
American Journal of Nursing, March 5, 1948, Raleigh.
Education Committee of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, March 6, 1948, Raleigh.

Committee on Nominations, June 11, 1948, Raleigh.
Program Committee, June 12, 1948, Raleigh.
Joint Meeting of the Advisory Committee to the Committee on Nursing Education and Service of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission and the Joint Committee on Education of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and North Carolina League of Nursing Education, June 16, 1948, Raleigh.
Committee on Structure Study, June 29, 1948, Raleigh.

District Committees

Professional Counseling and Placement, District Two, June 18, 1948, Winston-Salem; District One, June 25, 1948, Asheville.

Miscellaneous Work:

Sent information regarding scholarships and loan funds and the 1948 contest to select and crown "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse" to Miss Ella Stephens Barrett, Supervisor, Occupational Information and Guidance, Department of Public Instruction, to be published in the high school publication Guidance Briefs.
Worked with Miss Dorothy Clendenen, Personnel Consultant from A.N.A. Professional Counseling and Placement Service, Inc., January 23-24, 1948, in State Office studying problems regarding testing service and counseling through Veterans Administration and other problems of the Service.
Talked to colored high school students in Wilmington, March 16, 1948, on "Requirements for Entrance into a Nursing School and the Advantages of Nursing as a Profession."
Assisted with State Board Examinations, March 25, 1948, Raleigh.
Assisted with recruitment contest to select and crown "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948," April 20, 1948, Raleigh.
Attended a Polio Conference, July 23, 1948, Raleigh.
Prepared a bulletin, "Unlock the Door to your Nursing Personnel Service," describing the organization, purpose and function of the Professional Counseling and Placement Service.
Represented the North Carolina State Nurses' Association at Annual Meeting of District Six of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, September 15, 1948, China Grove.
Attended Wake County Red Cross First Aid Committee Meeting, September 28, 1948, Raleigh.

REPORT OF TREASURER
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Clement, R. N.

Balance, October 1, 1947		$11,176.74
Composed of:		
Checking Account (Guilford National Bank)	$3,847.96	
Savings Account (Bank of Greensboro)	2,074.78	
U. S. War Bonds (cost)	5,254.00	
Receipts, October 1, 1947 - September 1, 1948		30,966.87
Total Balance and Receipts		42,143.61
Disbursements, October 1, 1947 - September 1, 1948		28,486.99
Balance, September 1, 1948		13,656.62
Composed of:		
Checking Account (Guilford National Bank)	$7,327.84	
Savings Account (Bank of Greensboro)	1,074.78	
U. S. War Bonds (cost)	5,254.00	
Total Balance		$13,656.62

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR
Miriam Daughtry, R.N.

The Educational Director visited forty-four professional schools of nursing and three affiliating schools from November 7, 1947, to May 14, 1948.

The Joint Committee on Standardization held its annual meeting May 25, 1948, at which time all schools of nursing were reviewed and accredited for the next school year. Thirty-nine schools were fully accredited. Tayloe, Washington, N. C., and L. Richardson Memorial, Greensboro, were provisionally approved. Leaksville School of Nursing closed on June 30, 1948. North Carolina State Hospital School of Nursing closed October 1, 1948. Goldsboro School of Nursing has sent their senior students to Watts Hospital to finish their remaining period and will close their School of Nursing, as of February 1, 1949. Mary Elizabeth School of Nursing will close its school when the present students in the school finish. This is due to their inability to meet the requirement of a daily patient average of fifty.

A number of the schools are making plans for psychiatric affiliations. At the present time, there are three schools affiliating at the North Carolina State Hospital, Raleigh. Also there are two colored schools sending students to New York for this affiliation. More schools are urged to arrange for a psychiatric affiliation for their students so that this can be included in the basic course. Several out-of-state schools have already signed a contract with the North Carolina State Hospital; and as they can only take a limited number of students, this may exclude some of the North Carolina schools.

The thirty-nine fully accredited schools of nursing in North Carolina have enrolled approximately one thousand pre-clinical students for the fall classes. This is an increase of about three hundred over the enrollment for the September classes of 1947.

The Educational Director, at the request of the Joint Committee on Standardization, held conferences in the Eastern and Western Divisions of the State in November, 1947. These were for the purpose of discussing the changes in the 1948 Regulations for Schools of Nursing with the members of the faculty of the schools. One of the most important requirements that she stressed was the National League of Nursing Education record forms which were to be used for all students admitted after January 1, 1948.

Duke University sponsored two Institutes this summer for directors of nursing and nursing education. One was on Organization and Administration of Schools of Nursing--the other was on Mental Hygiene. Both of these Institutes offered a great opportunity for advanced learning in the above fields. The small attendance from the North Carolina schools of nursing was most discouraging to the nursing educators who made this program possible. In order to improve our present system of nursing education, it is essential that members of the faculty of schools of nursing in North Carolina take advantage of the opportunities that North Carolina and other states offer for advanced preparation.

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS
Ethel F. Burton, R.N., President

Totals for the year (September 1, 1947 to September 1, 1948)

Reported for examinations----------796
Passed examinations----------721
Registered in recognition of their registration
in other states----------151

There were approximately five hundred who wrote the examinations on October 6 and 7, 1948.

During the year (September 21, 1947 to September 27, 1948, from the audited reports) the income of the Board was $24,805.87. The disbursements were $18,633.55. We have on hand accumulated savings of $4,187.18.

Approximately six thousand nurses have re-registered during the year of 1948. A file of the nursing resources in each of the one hundred counties of North Carolina will be completed by December 31, 1948.

The Board of Nurse Examiners has cooperated with the North Carolina Medical Care Commission in making preliminary plans for a survey of nursing service and nursing education, which it has authorized the University of North Carolina to conduct.

A Commission to study and investigate examining boards of the state was created at the 1947 session of Legislature. The Commission was given a verified statement containing information on laws, rules, regulations, number of licenses issued during the past three years, annual income, annual disbursements, etc.

The Secretary-Treasurer and Educational Director attended two public hearings of this Commission in the fall of 1947. She was given the opportunity to inform the Commission of the advantages of continuing with the present system of the Board and to suggest changes in the present law that would be beneficial. On behalf of the nurse members of the Board, she suggested that the power given to the Standardization Committee in the Nurse Practice Act, which is to advise with the Board of Nurse Examiners in creating regulations governing the education of nurses, should be given to the Board of Nurse Examiners. The Standardization Committee should function merely as an advisory Board. This suggestion was made on the basis of the fact that North Carolina is the only state in which the schools of nursing are accredited by a body other than the Board of Nurse Examiners.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON STANDARDIZATION
Amy Louise Fisher, R.N., Chairman

The Joint Committee on Standardization is charged by law with the duty of formulating regulations for schools of nursing in North Carolina. It is not the desire of the committee to make it difficult for schools of nursing to meet the requirements. On the other hand, it is not fair to the student that she complete her nursing course and find that she is not eligible for registration, reciprocity or Federal nursing services.

The personnel of the Committee is as follows:

Amy Louise Fisher, R.N., Chairman, from the N. C. State Nurses' Association.
Helen Nahm, R.N., Secretary, from the N. C. State Nurses' Association.
Miriam Daughtry, R.N., Educational Director, from the N. C. Board of Nurse Examiners.
Ethel F. Burton, R.N., from the N. C. Board of Nurse Examiners.
Mrs. Esther L. Creasman, R.N., from the N. C. Board of Nurse Examiners.
C. Margaret Johnson, R.N., from the N. C. State Nurses' Association.
Moir S. Martin, M.D., from the N. C. Board of Nurse Examiners.
Louten R. Hedgpeth, M.D., from the N. C. Board of Nurse Examiners.
George L. Carrington, M.D., from the N. C. Hospital Association.
A. L. Daughtridge, M.D., from the N. C. Hospital Association.
H. L. Brockman, M.D., from the N. C. Hospital Association.
Sample B. Forbus, from the N. C. Hospital Association.

There were two quarterly meetings held during the year: One on December 13, 1947, and the other on March 4, 1948. The regular annual meeting was held on May 25, 1948, the purpose of which was to accredit the schools of nursing of North Carolina. Quarterly meetings of the Joint Committee are held so that representatives of the schools of nursing may bring their individual problems before the group.

The "Regulations for Schools of Nursing in North Carolina--1948" which was adopted by the Joint Committee on Standardization is now in effect. The professional schools of nursing were accredited according to these regulations, and all students who were admitted to schools in 1948 must follow the minimum requirements as set down in this book.

At the request of the Joint Committee on Standardization, the Educational Director held conferences in the Eastern and Western Divisions of the state for the purpose of discussing with the members of the faculty of the schools of nursing the changes in the 1948 Regulations for Schools of Nursing.

There were thirty-nine professional schools of nursing accredited by the Committee; two provisionally accredited; and two closed. There are two schools that are in the process of closing and will be closed when their present students have completed their training. There were four schools in North Carolina accredited for affiliations--one for psychiatry and three for pediatrics.

NURSING IN THE MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

Flora Wakefield, R.N., Member, N. C. Medical Care Commission
Representing the N.C.S.N.A.

In a recent report of North Carolina's Hospital Construction Program released by Dr. John A. Ferrell, Executive Secretary of the North Carolia Medical Care Commission, the following accomplishments for the past year were listed.

"1. One hundred and eighty hospitals with 20,403 beds have been surveyed and the results tabulated:

Number of Hospitals in 1946 Survey	Type of Hospital	Total Bed Complement
129	Local General	9,262
15	Allied Special	670
7	Mental	8,278
24	Tuberculosis	2,092
2	Chronic Diseases	24
3	Other	77
Total 180		20,403

2. Legislation regarding appropriations, hospital licensing, enabling laws, student loans, and so on, was prepared, submitted to, and approved by the 1947 General Assembly.

3. The State Five-Year Hospital Plan was prepared, and on July 8, 1947, received the approval of the Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service. The Federal pledge of aid to the states was ratified July 7, and North Carolina was allocated $3,431,550 for the year that began July 1, 1947.

4. About ten million dollars have been raised by 53 local hospital agencies toward their share of the cost of contemplated hospital projects. The local share of the cost of hospital projects ranges from one-sixth to one-half, averaging about one-third of the total for the entire state.

5. The Medical Care Commission, on October 28, gave preliminary approval to 14 hospital projects that encumber the following amounts:

Local agencies	$ 3,055,720
State agencies	3,811,614
U. S. Government	3,431,550
	$10,298,884

If the state-owned hospitals, within a reasonable period of time, come forward with approvable construction applications, approval of one or two of the 14 local hospital projects may be delayed until July 1, 1948, when the next fiscal year begins in order to make funds available this year toward some of the state-owned hospital projects.

6. Approximately 40 hospital sites have been inspected to determine their acceptability from the standpoints of central location, elevation, drainage, acreage, water, sewage, and electric facilities, roads, transportation facilities, and so on.

The State of North Carolina contemplates the expenditure for the five-year Hill-Burton period of about $51,000,000 for hospital construction. One-third of this amount is to be supplied by the Federal Government. Tentative allocation this year of $10,298,884 represents approximately one-fifth of the total amount expected for the five-year program."

This offers a challenge to the nurses of North Carolina to provide a broad plan for nursing care to the many patients who will be treated in these

hospitals. Every nurse in the state should interest herself in this program and work toward giving the best care possible.

The hospitals cannot be built in a day; neither can young women be prepared to nurse in a short time.

The Advisory Committee of the State Nurses' Association to the Medical Care Commission and the Joint Committee on Education of the State Association and the League have been working on plans. These plans were presented to the Medical Care Commission. Two years ago the Commission approved recommendations regarding Nursing Education and Nursing Service, one of which called for a survey of nursing resources and education in the state.

The Chairman of the Medical Care Commission called a two-day conference in Raleigh on April 19 and 20 to consider problems and needs in the nursing field. Invited from out of the state to participate in this discussion were the following people who are well informed on nursing problems: Miss Lucile Petry, Chief, General Nursing Service, U. S. Public Health Service; Miss Ella Thompson, National Association of Practical Nurse Education, New York, New York; Miss Marjorie B. Davis, Executive Secretary, National Nursing Council, Inc., New York; and Dr. W. T. Sanger, President, Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. Also invited were Miss Miriam Daughtry, Secretary-Treasurer, N. C. Board of Nurse Examiners, Raleigh; and Dr. W. R. Berryhill, Dean of Medical School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. This group met with members of the Executive Committee and the Committee on Nursing Education and Service.

An entire day--the nineteenth--was devoted to reviewing records and to discussions of North Carolina's resources, conditions and problems. The participants, not members of the Commission, were then requested to prepare a report with recommendations.

The report consisted of plans for a long-range program of nursing education for both professional and practical nurses. In order to understand the needs and to make plans, they recommended that a survey of nursing resources and needs be made, and suggested that the Medical Care Commission authorize the survey to be made by the University of North Carolina.

The Commission, in quarterly session in June 1948, approved this recommendation and the University was asked to proceed along the lines outlined by the special committee.

Dr. Frank Graham, President of the University of North Carolina, has appointed a committee representative of medicine, nursing, hospital, business, industry and agriculture to work out plans for the survey. Mr. James Clark, Chairman of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, is serving as chairman of the committee. Dr. L. P. Richardson of the staff of the School of Public Health, University of North Carolina, is serving as Executive Secretary. The committee will meet in the near future and plans for the survey will be made.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON "AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING"
Helen E. Peeler, R.N., Chairman

One meeting of this Committee was held in Raleigh at the time of the Midyear Meeting, March 4, 1948.

The purpose of the Committee is to promote reading and educational use of the Journal.

The Committee sent to the District Committees the following suggestions which may be used as methods to stimulate interest in reading the Journal:

1. Adopt the slogan "Read With a Purpose" and quote at frequent meetings.
2. Call for brief reports at the meetings of articles of interest in the issue of that month.
3. Devote one program a year to The American Journal of Nursing, developing the program in the form of a group discussion, a dialogue or a skit with student and graduate participation.
4. Encourage more articles for publication written by North Carolina nurses.

These suggestions were to be forwarded to the local nurses' clubs and alumnae associations by the District Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
Mrs. Eva W. Warren, R.N., Chairman

Other members of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws are Lillian M. George of Wilmington and Montrose Austin of Charlotte. The Committee met once, at Headquarters' Office in Raleigh on August 27, 1948.

The Committee reviewed and approved the revision of by-laws of District Eight of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

A questionnaire was sent to the presidents of all alumnae associations in February 1948 asking when they last revised their by-laws and if they planned to do so this year. The response to this questionnaire was very gratifying resulting in the revision of the by-laws of many alumnae associations which have been approved by this Committee.

The meeting on August 27 was called for the purpose of considering changes in the By-Laws of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association in order that they would conform with the By-Laws of the American Nurses' Association which had been revised at the Biennial Convention in Chicago, Illinois, in June 1948. The following revisions were recommended, approved by the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, the ANA Committee on Constitution and By-Laws and published in the Tar Heel Nurse:

PRESENT BY-LAWS for which revisions are proposed	PROPOSED REVISIONS
ARTICLE III Membership	ARTICLE III Membership
Section 1, Paragraph 3. Members of District Nurses' Associations shall be registered nurses, graduates of accredited schools of nursing connected	Section 1, Paragraph 3. Members of District Nurses' Associations shall be registered nurses, graduates of state accredited schools of nursing

with general hospitals giving a continuous course of instruction and experience in a hospital of not less than three years, or giving an equivalent preparation in one or more hospitals, or a combined hospital and college course. This preparation must include practical experience in caring for men, women and children, together with theoretical and practical instruction in medical surgical, obstetrical, and children's nursing. The preparation for men nurses must include practical experience in caring for men, together with theoretical and practical instruction in medical, surgical and urological nursing.

offering programs of not less than three years of instruction and clinical practice in hospitals and in other community agencies. The preparation for women nurses must include instruction and practice in medical and surgical nursing of men and women and in obstetric and pediatric nursing. The preparation for men nurses must include instruction and practice in the care of men in medical, surgical and urological nursing.

ARTICLE VIII

Duties of Board of Directors

Section 1(w). Appoint a delegate to the annual convention of the American Red Cross; arrange for programs on Red Cross Nursing Service at annual conventions of the Association and for such other Red Cross features as may be deemed advisable.

ARTICLE VIII

Duties of Board of Directors

Section 1(w). Delete

ARTICLE XI

Dues

Section 1. The annual dues for members of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association shall be $10.00 per capita payable on or before January 15 by the constituent district nurses' associations.

ARTICLE XI

Dues

Section 1(a). The annual dues for members of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association shall be $10.00 per capita payable on or before January 15 by the constituent district nurses' associations, which includes $3.00 per capita dues to the American Nurses' Association.

(b) The dues for nurses who graduate and are licensed to practice professional nursing after July 1 of any year and become members of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association shall be $5.00 per capita, for that same year, and payable by constituent district nurses' associations, which includes $1.50 per capita dues to the American Nurses' Association.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Clement, R.N., Chairman

The Committee on Finance is composed of the Treasurer, Mrs. Effie L. Parker and Lelia Russell. One meeting of the Committee was held.

The budgets for Headquarters' Office and the North Carolina State Nurses' Association were considered carefully. Proposed budgets were prepared and recommended to the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Nurses'

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION
Miriam Daughtry, R.N., Chairman

The Committee on Legislation is composed of Miriam Daughtry, Chairman, Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Co-Chairman, Mrs. Jessamine B. Cass, Winston-Salem, Mrs. Maude S. Morgan, Asheville, Ellen Bruton, Pinehurst, and Mrs. Hyla Sheffield Fountain, Wilmington. The Committee met once--on June 30, 1948, in Raleigh.

Throughout the year, several bulletins relative to legislation pertaining to nursing have been sent to presidents of district and alumnae associations, chairmen of nurses' clubs and members of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

This Committee has considered amendments to the existing Nurse Practice Act which would be most desirable, but does not recommend a definite program of legislation for the 1949 General Assembly. It does, however, recommend that the Association be prepared for any eventuality by having strong district and county Committees on Legislation ready for action during the 1949 General Assembly if necessary. Presidents of district nurses' associations have been urged to appoint county Committees on Legislation prior to November 15, 1948.

This Committee has followed the work of the Commission, provided by the 1947 General Assembly and appointed by the Governor, to study and investigate the twenty-one licensing boards of the state. The North Carolina Board of Nurse Examiners has cooperated fully by furnishing the Commission a verified statement containing information on laws, rules, regulations, number of licenses issued, annual income and disbursements during the past three years. The Secretary of the Board of Nurse Examiners and Educational Director of Schools of Nursing was interviewed by the Commission twice. The report of the Commission to the 1949 General Assembly will be considered carefully by this Committee and may necessitate rather rapid legislative action on the part of the Association.

The North Carolina State Nurses' Association is an organization member of the State Legislative Council, which was organized in 1920 for the purpose of coordinating the legislative interests and efforts of state-wide women's organizations in order to present a united front to the General Assembly and to avoid duplication of effort in offering bills, as well as opposing undesirable measures. The North Carolina State Nurses' Association was represented by the President, the Chairman of the Committee on Legislation and the Executive Secretary at meetings of the State Legislative Council on November 3, 1947, February 20 and May 14, 1948.

The Committee on Legislation has considered the following five-point program of the State Legislative Council, and recommends that it be approved by the North Carolina State Nurses' Association:

1. Provide an effective system, with adequate financial support, for the enforcement of the compulsory school attendance law.

2. Provide for minimum wage and maximum hour standards for women and minors.

3. Provide for state participation in general assistance for persons between 16 and 65 years of age in need of financial assistance.

4. Provide, through the School-Health Coordinating Service, for complete physical examinations for all school children at reasonable intervals with a definite plan for referrals for the necessary follow-up treatment.

5. Provide for strengthening the marriage requirements and safeguarding the divorce laws; and that in divorce proceedings involving children a definite plan for the care and custody of any child under 18 years of age must be presented to the judge hearing the case.

Much Federal legislation which affects nursing is constantly under consideration by the A.N.A. Special Committee on Federal Legislation. The Committee on Legislation of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association has reviewed the report of the A.N.A. Committee. This Committee urges all members of the Association to keep informed about Federal legislation affecting nursing through the press and the American Journal of Nursing.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP
Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R.N., Chairman

The Committee on Membership is composed of the Executive Secretary of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and the Secretary of each district nurses' association. No meetings have been held, but bulletins designed to stimulate membership drives have been sent to district and alumnae associations and nurses' clubs at intervals.

District treasurers were asked to follow up former members whose current dues had not been paid and encourage them to become reinstated.

The Chairman spoke to nurses taking State Board Examinations regarding membership in the professional nursing organizations and extended an invitation to all young graduates to become members of A.N.A. immediately after registration was established. A letter urging the young registered nurse to become a member was dispatched simultaneously with her certificate of registration.

The Chairman has written a personal letter to each nurse making any inquiry about membership, a copy of which is always sent to the secretary of the district association concerned. She also has taken advantage of every conference with individual nurses and field visits to speak on the value of membership in district, state and national professional nursing organizations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
Mrs. Beatrice Crowell, R.N., Chairman

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President	Mrs. Louise P. East, R.N.	Asheville
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	Edna L. Heinzerling, R.N.	Winston-Salem
	Grace Mitchell, R.N.	Raleigh
	Mrs. Vonnie Norman, R.N.	Lumberton
Board of Nurse Examiners	Miriam Daughtry, R.N.	Raleigh
Committee on Nominations	Mrs. Racheal T. Browning, R.N.	Winston-Salem
	Lula Craig, R.N.	Asheville
	Lillian H. George, R.N.	Wilmington
	Mrs. Maude S. Morgan, R.N.	Asheville
	Mrs. Charlotte K. Price, R.N.	Morganton
	Mrs. Eva W. Warren, R.N.	Durham
	Mrs. Edith Webster, R.N.	Mount Airy
	Mrs. Virginia Whitaker, R.N.	Winston-Salem

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Chairman	Mrs. Louise C. Hayduke, R.N.	Wilmington
	Mrs. Myrtle Leonard, R.N.	Durham
First Vice-Chairman	Rhoda Ann Gardner, R.N.	Winston-Salem
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	Mrs. Vonnie Norment, R.N.	Lumberton
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	Mrs. Lena P. Stanley, R.N.	Goldsboro

OFFICE AND INDUSTRIAL SECTION

Chairman	Mary Wiley Scott, R.N.	Burlington
Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Dorothy Plaster, R.N.	Winston-Salem
Secretary	Mrs. Ruby R. Moore, R.N.	Burlington

NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION

President	Lou Alice Arbogast, R.N.	Raleigh
	Florence K. Wilson, R.N.	Durham

Treasurer	Eleanor M. Stephens, R.N.	Rocky Mount
Directors	Hildred Harrison, R.N.	Winston-Salem
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	Mary Belle May, R.N.	Charlotte
	Mrs. Effie L. Parker, R.N.	Raleigh
	Ruth Parker, R.N.	Concord

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NURSING INFORMATION
Alma Kermon, R.N., Chairman

This Committee has worked closely with Headquarters' Office in promoting a program of public relations for the Association.

Many bulletins designed to inform nurses about the activities of the profession have been dispatched to leaders of district and alumnae associations and nurses' clubs. A series of releases was given to the press regarding the Programs of Economic Security, Recruitment of Student Nurses and Professional Counseling, and Placement, Pamphlets on Recruitment, Counseling, etc. have been distributed widely.

Much material and speakers have been provided for various units of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs and civic organizations.

The Association has had the services of Public Relations Counsel for part of the year.

Miss Helen L. Peeler, a member of this Committee represented North Carolina at a meeting of the ANA Committee on Public Relations, at which time representatives from state nurses' associations were present.

The A.N.A. Public Relations Workshop, which is a five-hour sound-slide film, was used in Raleigh on August 13, 1948. Fifty-one nurses from eight of the nine district nurses' associations attended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM
Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R.N., Chairman

The Committee on Program is composed of the Executive Secretary, the President of the North Carolina League of Nursing Education and the chairmen of all sections of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

One meeting was held on June 12, 1948, in Raleigh, at which time the program for the 1948 Annual Convention was planned. Miss Columbia Munds, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements, met with us. Upon completion, the program was published in the September issue of the Tar Heel Nurse.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SERVICE FUND
Annie H. Robinson, R.N., Chairman

Receipts:

Balance in checking account, September 15, 1947	$ 792.78
Dues, N.C.S.N.A. 1947	140.00
Dues, N.C.S.N.A. 1948	1,452.50
Accumulated income, Service Fund, transferred to checking account	333.75
Total	$2,719.03

Disbursements:

Beneficiaries, $15.00 per month		
Twelve beneficiaries for three months	$ 540.00	
Thirteen beneficiaries for eight months	1,560.00	
Fourteen beneficiaries for one month	210.00	
	$2,310.00	$2,310.00
Postage stamps		6.00
Auditor's Fee		25.00
Total		$2,341.00
Balance in checking account, September 15, 1948		378.03
Total invested, January 31, 1948		30,000.00
Cash Balance, Principal, January 31, 1948		$ 96.32

In April, 1948, one of the beneficiaries died and two were added to the list, one in August and one in September. At the present time, the districts are represented as follows: District One--two beneficiaries; District Five--two beneficiaries; District Six--one beneficiary; District Seven--one beneficiary; District Eight--two beneficiaries; and District Nine--six beneficiaries.

Mrs. Glenn C. Cline, Chairman of this committee from January, 1946, asked to be relieved of this office and the present chairman was appointed June 1948. Mrs. Cline served on this committee most efficiently, and endeared herself to the beneficiaries by her unfailing courtesy.

REPORT OF SPECIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION TO THE COMMITTEE ON NURSING EDUCATION AND SERVICE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

Mrs. Eva W. Warren, R.N., Chairman

The members of this Committee are Mrs. Eva W. Warren, Chairman, Helen E. Peeler, Mrs. Agnes P. Vester, Ruth May and Fannie Dean.

This Committee has held two meetings. The first meeting was held on Saturday, December 6, 1947, at Headquarters' Office, at which time the following recommendations were compiled to be presented to the Committee on Nursing Education and Service of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission:

1. That immediate steps be taken to provide for the Survey of Nursing Needs and Services already approved by the Medical Care Commission.

2. That the Medical Care Commission investigate the possibilities of the Hill-Burton Funds to finance this Survey.

3. That the Medical Care Commission investigate the possibilities of securing the assistance from the United States Public Health Service for the Survey.

4. That the Medical Care Commission avail itself of the Nursing Consultant Service of the United States Public Health Service in the Hospital Construction Planning.

5. That the recommendations of the Survey be used in working out both immediate and long-term plans for the preparation of nurses to meet the needs of the people of North Carolina. Plans for the professional nurses should include both basic and advanced programs. The advanced program should include both nursing education and public health nursing.

6. That the Student Loan Fund requirment regarding "practice in a town of two thousand" be changed to "practice in North Carolina," and that the time requirement be lowered to two rather than three years.

7. That loan funds be made available to registered, professional nurses for preparation for administrative, teaching and supervisory positions in hospitals and schools of nursing.

The second meeting was a joint meeting with the Joint Committee on Education of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and the North Carolina League of Nursing Education. This meeting was held on Wednesday, June 16, 1948, at Headquarters' Office. At this time, the report of the Special Advisory Group to the Medical Care Commission was considered and the following recommendations were made to be presented to the Committee on Nursing Education and Service of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission:

1. That immediate steps be taken to make a survey of the resources for nursing service and nursing education in North Carolina; and that the recommendations by the Special Advisory Group I, A (scope) B (responsibility for Survey) be followed.

2. That since one of the first needs in nursing education is a supply of teachers of nurses and directors of nursing education and service, which requires graduate study of at least one year, that the state should establish a scholarship fund for this purpose and also small scholarships for attending summer school sessions or other courses of less than one year. The recipient of such a scholarship would be obligated to serve in nursing positions in this state for a set period of time. If the recipient left the state or retired from professional nursing, the scholarship should become a loan payable to the Fund.

3. That the facilities of the State Vocational Division of the Department of Public Instruction be utilized in the development of the practical nurse program of education in North Carolina; and that a qualified graduate registered nurse be added to the staff of this division to assist with the primary responsibilities of this program.

4. That a committee be appointed by the North Carolina Medical Care Commission composed of the educational director of schools of nursing in North Carolina; Counselor of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association; representatives from Duke, Bowman-Gray and the University of North Carolina Medical Schools, larger and smaller hospital schools of nursing in the state including hospital administrators and qualified nursing personnel and interested lay representatives to study the proposed plan for the centralization of schools of nursing and to make plans toward the implementation of such a system.

5. That since the suggested survey in the Report of the Advisory Group is so urgent, that the North Carolina Medical Care Commission approach the Governor and the Budgetary authorities of the state with the view of securing from $5,000.00 to $10,000.00 from emergency or other funds in order to get the suggested survey started without delay; failing this the need of these funds should be stressed by the Medical Care Commission in their budget hearing preparatory for the General Assembly of 1949.

REPORT OF SPECIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING AND PLACEMENT SERVICE

Helen E. Peeler, R.N., Chairman

The Special Advisory Committee to the Committee on Professional Counseling and Placement Service is composed of the following members: Helen Nahm, Joyce Warren, C. Margaret Johnson, Elaine Washburn, Edith Arrington Religious Director, School of Nursing, N. C. Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, Don Shumaker, Associate Editor, The Citizen, Asheville, Catherine Dennis, State Supervisor, Home Economic Education, Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, J. P. Richardson, Superintendent of Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte.

The Committee has not held a regular meeting, but six of the nine members met with the members of the Committee on Professional Counseling and Placement Service, District Professional Counseling and Placement Service Committees and local secretaries in Raleigh, April 30, 1948, at which time Miss Mary V. Barrett, Field Consultant, American Nurses' Association Professional Counseling and Placement Service, was the guest speaker.

The purpose of the Conference was to develop a better understanding of the organization and functions of Professional Counseling and Placement Service in order to better serve the individual nurse, employer, the patient, and the public on a state and local basis.

Miss Barrett gave a very detailed and interesting explanation of the Professional Counseling and Placement Service and the duties of the Counselor. Her presentation was followed by a general group discussion. The following points were discussed:

1. References--how secured and the type of reference requested.

2. Organization of local areas of the Professional Counseling and Placement Service.

3. Counseling and guidance programs in schools of nursing as related to the State Professional Counseling and Placement Service.

4. Does the nurse lose her individuality by using the Counseling and Placement Service to secure a position?

5. Need for more publicity on a local level to inform individual nurse.

6. The functions of district committee and local secretaries.

7. Books and literature on counseling in schools of nursing.

The Committee members and others attending the Conference made the following recommendation to the North Carolina League of Nursing Education: That the League program for the Annual Meeting of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association be centered around counseling and guidance programs for both students and graduates emphasizing counseling and guidance programs in schools of nursing.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE
Amy Louise Fisher, R.N., Chairman

The Committee on Civil Service has not had a meeting. One of the members has moved out of the state, the other two reviewed individually the paper "Opportunities and Developments in Civil Service With Regard to Nursing" presented by Miss Ruth Heintzelman, R.N., at a meeting of the American Nurses' Association House of Delegates, Stevens Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, on June 4, 1948. More than thirty nurses from North Carolina attended this meeting and had the privilege of hearing the paper presented.

At the suggestion of the Committee, the Headquarters' Office of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association distributed mimeographed copies of this paper to the Board of Directors, the district presidents and the directors of schools of nursing.

The Committee recommends it as valuable material for use in Professional Adjustments classes.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MARY LEWIS WYCHE LOAN FUND
Mrs. Kate W. Williamson, R.N., Chairman

Balance in Savings Account (First Citizens Bank and Trust Comapny, Fayetteville, N.C.) October 1, 1947		$1,520.68
Receipts:		
Contributions:		
District Seven, N.C.S.N.A.	$ 25.00	
Dunn Nurses' Club	1.00	
Transfer of Fund held by Committee of the Public Health Section of the N.C.S.N.A.	188.64	
Interest	31.67	
	$246.31	246.31
Balance in Savings Account, September 1, 1948		$1,766.99

Other members of this Committee are Miriam Daughtry and Mae Duncan.

No applications for loans have been received.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PREPAYMENT PLANS
Mrs. Emily J. Pickard, R.N., Chairman

The other members of this Committee are Flora Wakefield and Mrs. Marie B. Noell. No formal meetings have been held this year, but the members have discussed the information available relative to the inclusion of nursing in prepayment plans.

We wish to urge each member of the Association to read "Nursing in a Program of Prepaid Medical Care," By Dr. Paul R. Hawley, Chief Executive Officer of the Blue Cross Commission of the American Hospital Association and of the American Medical Care Plans, Inc., which was read at the Biennial Convention in Chicago in June and was published in the August 1948 issue of the American Journal of Nursing. We also suggest that all nurses read "Nursing in Health Insurance Plans," by Dr. Franz Goldmann, Associate Professor of Medical Care, Harvard School of Public Health, and author of "Voluntary Medical Care Insurance in the United States" (Columbia University Press, New York). Dr. Goldmann's presentation at a meeting of the N.O.P.H.N. during the Biennial Convention appears in the August 1948 issue of Public Health Nursing.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING AND PLACEMENT SERVICE
Helen E. Peeler, R.N., Chairman

The Special Committee on Professional Counseling and Placement Service is composed of Helen E. Peeler, Chairman, Helen Nahm and Mrs. Louise P. East. The Committee met in Durham on February 5, 1948.

The Committee outlined its aims as follows: 1. To help the nurses, especially nurses in administrative positions, to become better acquainted with the functions of the Professional Counseling and Placement Service in order that they may interpret these functions to graduate nurses and senior students. 2. To urge more nurses to file their credentials with the Professional Counseling and Placement Service and to use the Service for both counseling and placement. 3. To ask for more cooperation from the District Professional Counseling and Placement Service Committees.

The Committee made the following suggestions: 1. That the Counselor ask Miss Mary V. Barrett, American Nurses' Association Consultant, to visit North Carolina on April 30, 1948, and meet with the Professional Counseling and Placement Service Committee and the Advisory Committee to the Committee on Professional Counseling and Placement Service, district committees, local secretaries to discuss the organization and functions of the Professional Counseling and Placement Service in order to better serve the individual nurse, the employer, the patient and the public. 2. That the Counselor visit the local areas every two to three months, and each district once a year, contacting local hospitals and schools of nursing. 3. That the Counselor contact high school counselors or advisors while visiting in local areas. 4. That the Counselor prepare a mimeographed bulletin describing the Professional Counseling and Placement Service for distribution.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RED CROSS NURSING SERVICE
Mrs. Lucille C. Hartman, R.N., Chairman

The Committee is composed of Mrs. Lucille C. Hartman, Chairman, Alma Kermon and Mrs. Maude S. Morgan.

No meetings have been held, however, members of the Committee have:

(1) Acted as liasion between the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and the Red Cross Chapter Committees during the

polio epidemic this summer when three hundred nurses were brought in the state to care for polio patients. Information on the cooperative action of the National Association for Infantile Paralysis and the American Red Cross with regards to recruiting nurses for polio epidemics was sent to presidents or chairmen of all local units of the State Nurses' Association.

(2) Assisted in providing Red Cross material for programs at state and district meetings of the nurses' associations.

(3) Arranged for a speaker and a Red Cross exhibit for the Annual Convention.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REGISTRIES
Elaine Mashburn, R.N., Chairman

The Committee on Registries has had one meeting this year. The meeting was held during the Conference for Registrars of Nurses' Professional Registries which was held February 16-18, 1948, Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. All members were present.

Seven of the eight Official Registries were represented at the Conference.

The Committee recommended to the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association that a minimum salary of $150 be paid Registrars. Other personnel policies were not defined at this time.

A survey of Registries was made in March 1948. Registry fees range from $15 to $25. Private duty nursing fees range from $8 to $9. Twenty-five unofficial Registries are serving smaller towns in North Carolina.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON STRUCTURE STUDY
Florence K. Wilson, R.N., Chairman

The first activity of the Structure Study Committee was in the form of a letter sent out December 1, 1947, to each district, containing a release from the Committee on the Structure of National Nursing Organizations giving the action and the plans of the Committee. This letter was sent to all members of the Structure Committee of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association. This letter gave the membership of the new Committee on Structure of National Nursing Organizations and their plans for the year.

The first meeting of the Structure Committee was held June 29, 1948, in Raleigh; all members of the Committee and the presidents of the districts were invited to this meeting and the members of the Committee on Structure Study of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association. The discussion centered around the eight Premises which are listed on page 3 of "News Letter" number 1 or on page 321 of the May 1948 issue of the American Journal of Nursing.

The Workshop Guides 7 and 8 were discussed to some extent. As a result of this discussion, a list of questions to be answered relative to the study of the professional organizations was prepared and sent to the district and

alumnae associations and nurses' clubs in North Carolina. They were requested to discuss these questions at one of their meetings and to send in the considered answers of their members.

The Chairman of the Structure Committee spoke at the meeting of District Eight in Wilson. This was preliminary to a meeting of this district for the discussion of the questions which had been submitted.

The Executive Secretary spoke on Structure at meetings of Districts One and Two early in September.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE STRUCTURE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION AND NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION
Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R.N., Chairman

Other members of this Committee are: Mrs. Effie L. Parker, President of the League, Raleigh; Hazel Rosemond, private duty, Salisbury; Frances Stanton, public health, Elizabeth City; and Hazel Johnson, institutional, High Point.

This Committee met jointly with the Committee on Structure of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association in Raleigh on June 29. The chairman submitted a rough draft of twenty-one district nurses' associations which might be considered to replace the existing nine district nurses' associations. No action was taken regarding this. The president of the League requested clarification regarding the joint activities of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and the North Carolina League of Nursing Education and how such are financed.

After much investigation, there seems to be only one established policy between the organizations: That the North Carolina League of Nursing Education functions as the department of education of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

Joint efforts during the past several years and at present are: (1) Cooperation in sponsoring summer school courses with the North Carolina State Nurses' Association always underwriting the cost. (2) Joint arrangements for the annual convention with the North Carolina State Nurses' Association being responsible for the cost of programs, etc. (3) Joint Committees on Student Nurse Recruitment and Education with the North Carolina State Nurses' Association paying cost of meetings, etc.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION OF THE N.C.S.N.A.
and
REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION AND NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION
Helen Nahm, R.N., Chairman

A meeting of the Committee on Education of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association was held in Raleigh on March 6, 1948, with the following members present: Edna L. Heinzerling, Mildred Harrison, Frances Farthing, Miriam Daughtry, Mrs. Effie L. Parker and Helen Nahm, Chairman. Other members

of the Committee who were unable to be present were Dean Robert B. House and Dr. Moir S. Martin.

The following guests were invited to attend the meeting: Mrs. Eva W. Warren, Florence K. Wilson, Lillian A. Gardiner, Amy Fisher, Ruth Hay, Flora Wakefield, Helen Peeler, Lillian Bayley and Mr. Sample B. Forbus.

The Chairman explained that the Committee on Education had functioned in past years in sponsoring summer courses in nursing education at the University of North Carolina. She stated that she believed that an enlarged or joint committee composed of members of the State Nurses' Association, the State League of Nursing Education and also of lay people and individuals from other professional groups might continue to function in studying educational needs of nurses in North Carolina. She asked for suggestions and recommendations from all members present. These suggestions and recommendations are summarized as follows:

1. Provisions need to be made for the continued education of graduate nurses. The University of North Carolina and Duke University should do more joint planning for such education. However, professional groups should present their needs.
   A. Courses should be planned to help nurses meet requirements for faculty positions set up by the Standardization Committee for professional schools of nursing.
   B. Institutes or some other from of service should be provided through which nurses interested in improving their programs can get help.
   C. There is a need for training of nurses for responsible positions in teaching and administration. Better preparation of nurses in the clinical areas is also very much needed.
   D. Hospital administrators should encourage nurses to take additional training.
   E. Nurses need better training in the care and management of mental patients.

2. Basic programs in nursing need to be improved.
   A. Small hospitals should be discouraged from opening schools of nursing.
   B. Better selection of students is needed.
   C. The social and health concepts should be introduced into the basic curriculum of the school of nursing.
   D. The development of university schools of nursing should be encouraged.
   E. Schools of nursing should do more to give the senior students an insight into public health nursing, its opportunities and responsibilities.

3. Efforts should be directed toward improvement of nursing service.
   A. Assistance should be given in defining qualifications which are needed for various positions in hospitals and schools of nursing.
   B. Better training of nurses in responsible positions is needed. Public health agencies accept nurses in first level positions and then say that in a reasonable time they must have completed a program in public health nursing. Couldn't hospitals follow the same practice?

C. Concentration on building up nursing service is needed so that students will be freed from the pressures to which they are subjected at the present time.
D. To build a better nursing service, we must sell staff nursing to graduate nurses.

4. A better program of public relations is needed to educate the public about nursing. To educate the public about nursing, nurses should present their needs to Community Councils.

5. We need to find out more about schools of nursing in North Carolina before we can make plans for the future.

6. The objectives of the Committee on Education of the State Nurses' Association and of the League Committee on Integration of Social and Health Aspects should be clarified. The latter Committee should be a sub-committee of the League Curriculum Committee.

At the close of the discussion, it was recommended that the Committee on Education be made a Joint Committee of the State Nurses' Association and the State League of Nursing Education and that lay members be included.

In May 1948 a Joint Committee was appointed by Miss Edna L. Heinzerling, President of the State Nurses' Association, and Mrs. Effie L. Parker, President of the State League of Nursing Education. Members of this Committee are as follows: Hildred Harrison, N. C. Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, Mrs. Eva W. Warren, Watts Hospital, Durham, Helen Hahn, Division of Nursing Education, Duke University, Durham, representing the State League of Nursing Education; Ruth Hay, School of Public Health, Chapel Hill, Amy Louise Fisher, State Board of Health, Raleigh, Miriam Daughtry, Educational Director, N. C. Board of Nurse Examiners, Raleigh, representing the North Carolina State Nurses' Association; Dr. Moir S. Martin, Mount Airy, Mrs. Victoria C. Nielson, Woman's College, Greensboro, Dean Robert B. House, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, representing the medical profession and other interested groups.

Mrs. Victoria C. Nielson declined to serve on the Committee, and Miss Ruth Dalrymple of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro was appointed to serve in her place.

The Joint Committee on Education met with the Advisory Committee of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association to the Committee on Nursing Education and Service of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission in Raleigh on June 16, 1948. The following members of the Joint Committee on Education were present: Hildred Harrison, Amy L. Fisher, Mrs. Effie L. Parker, Miriam Daughtry, Mrs. Eva W. Warren, Dr. Robert B. House, Helen Hahn, Chairman. Others attending the meeting were Mrs. Marie B. Noell and Helen Peeler.

At the close of the meeting of the two committees, a meeting of the Joint Committee of the State Nurses' Association and the State League of Nursing Education was held. It was suggested at this meeting that a job analysis be made of positions from director of nurses to the staff nurse. Miss Hahn asked Miss Peeler to make up a suggested job analysis to be presented at the next meeting of the Committee. It was also recommended that each member bring a suggested plan for a year's in-service training program for graduate nurses to the next meeting for study.

There was much discussion regarding the importance of the education of the nurse. This discussion is summarized as follows:

1. It is the nurse's duty to show the doctor that the nurse with a good education can do a better job than the one with a poor education.

2. We must prevent doctors and hospital administrators from thinking that the graduate nurse will be replaced by the practical nurse.

3. Hospital administrators and directors of nurses must be stimulated to realize the importance of having more members of their staffs utilize educational opportunities which are available at the present time.

It was suggested that a bulletin entitled, "Nursing Positions in North Carolina," including an analysis of the jobs and a list of schools from which preparation for such jobs may be obtained, be published.

The Committee decided to meet again in September for the purpose of formulating Committee objectives.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION AND NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION

Helen Hahn, R.N., Chairman

A second meeting of the Joint Committee on Education of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and the North Carolina League of Nursing Education was held in Raleigh on October 1, 1948. Members of the Committee agreed that the purposes of the Committee should be the following:

1. The study of ways and means of providing the best possible basic preparation for the professional nurse (both general education and professional education).

2. The study of ways and means of providing for the continued education of the graduate nurse (both general education and professional education).

3. Assisting in the planning of programs for the continued education of the graduate nurse; such programs to include in-service educational programs, institutes, summer courses, extension courses and degree programs in both nursing education and public health nursing.

4. Stimulating employers of nurses to give financial assistance, time and salaries to nurses who are enrolled in such programs.

5. Offering advice and assistance in the planning of basic and advanced educational programs for nurses to the representative of professional nursing on the Medical Care Commission and to the Joint Committee on Standardization.

Tentative recommendations with regard to qualifications and preparation of faculty members in schools of nursing, which has been formulated by

Miss Peeler were considered. It was recommended that each Committee member study these recommendations and make suggestions and comments and that a sub-committee then revise the original recommendations and present them at the next meeting of the Education Committee.

The problem of providing satisfactory in-service educational program for graduate nurses was discussed. Miss Harrison presented an outline of a program which will be carried on at the N. C. Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem during the coming year. Other members of the Committee also presented suggestions. It was recommended that a sub-committee be appointed to outline general procedures for setting up in-service programs and that when this outline is prepared, it be distributed to all hospitals and schools of nursing in North Carolina.

Dean House stated that it might be possible for the University of North Carolina to offer extension courses to graduate nurses at certain centers in the state, provided a large enough number was enrolled to make it financially feasible. He also stated that he believed that educators in universities, colleges and high schools in the state would be willing to give assistance with in-service educational programs, provided their travel expenses were paid.

A sub-committee was appointed to work with the Chairman of the Committee on Education, both on the revision of recommendations with regard to faculty preparation and qualification and on the plans for in-service educational programs. Members of the sub-committee are Miss Peeler, Miss Daughtry and Mrs. Warren.

The question of whether the Education Committee should be a League Committee or continue to be a Joint Committee was discussed. Because of the League's inability to provide funds to cover expenses of the Committee, it was decided that it should continue as a Joint Committee. The recommendation was made that this Committee be a large Committee with three sub-committees, one to consider basic nursing programs, a second in-service educational programs, and a third advanced educational programs for the graduate nurse.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON STUDENT NURSE RECRUITMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION AND THE NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION

Helen E. Peeler, R.N., Chairman

The Joint Committee on Student Nurse Recruitment of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and the North Carolina League of Nursing Education met in Raleigh, February 4, 1948, to make plans for the 1948 contest to select and crown "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948" and for the recruitment tour to follow the contest.

The finals of the contest were held in the Memorial Auditorium in Raleigh, April 20, 1948, at 8:30 P. M., at which time Mrs. Ann McSwain Harrell of Evanston, Illinois, a senior student at Duke University School of Nursing, was selected and crowned "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948."

During a two weeks' tour, May 9-21, Mrs. Harrell, accompanied by Helen E. Peeler, Associate Executive Secretary and Counselor, visited seventeen high schools and colleges, spoke before seven civic organizations, spoke on ten radio programs and was interviewed by many other groups such as the mayor, members of the chamber of commerce and newspaper editors.

A recent survey of the thirty-five white accredited schools of nursing in North Carolina reveals that the contest and tour were a success. According to this report, the total enrollment for the forty-one white and Negro schools of nursing will surpass our quota of one thousand student nurses to be enrolled in 1948.

In addition to the success obtained this year, the contacts made in high schools and colleges will probably have a definite influence on recruitment for the next two or three years.

Twenty-two schools felt that the contest should be repeated in 1949 and a great number of schools expressed their gratitude for the favorable publicity which their school of nursing received during the contest and tour.

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION
Mrs. Effie L. Parker, R.N., President

Number of Meetings Held - 1
Number of Meetings of Board of Directors - 2
Membership - 91

The officials of State Hospital at Raleigh entertained the members of the North Carolina League of Nursing Education, Public Health Section and delegates of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association attending the midyear meetings at a dinner on March 5, 1948. Following the dinner, a program sponsored by the League and the Public Health Section was rendered as follows:

Program for Group Discussion on Integration of the Social and Health Aspects in the Basic Curriculum

Introduction: Philosophy of Integration - Helen Nahm, Ph.D., Director of Nursing Education, Duke University, Durham. Group Discussion - Maude McCracken, Director, Medical Social Work Department, Duke University Hospital; Lois Cox, Educational Director, Durham County Health Department; Dorothy H. Smith, Assistant to the Dean in Teaching and Curriculum, Duke University School of Nursing; Hilda Rakes, Surgical Supervisor, Watts Hospital School of Nursing; Mildred Crawley, Instructor in Pediatrics, Duke University School of Nursing; Mrs. Lyrtle F. Leonard, Head Nurse, Duke Hospital; Wanda Slaybaugh, Assistant Instructor in Nursing Arts, Duke University School of Nursing; Helen Nahm, Ph.D., Director, Division of Nursing Education, Duke University; Leader: Lillian A. Gardiner, SANO, U. S. Public Health Service, Division of Nursing Education, Duke University. The discussion was summarized by Miss Helen Nahm.

The League participated in the Student Nurse Recruitment Program: "The Crowning of Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948" in cooperation with the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and other health organizations of the state. We feel that the program was a success and recommend that it be repeated in 1949.

The committee members have been active, and we expect good reports at our business meeting.

Two important joint committees of the State Nurses' Association and League have been functioning this year--Joint Committee on Education and Joint Committee on Student Nurse Recruitment. Reports of these committees are included in the Convention Reports.

The League was well represented at the convention of the National League of Nursing Education and the American Nurses' Association, which was held in Chicago in May 1948. The President attended as an official delegate of the League.

The League has been represented at all the regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION, N.C.S.N.A.
Jean P. Blue, R.N., Chairman

The following officers of the Public Health Section of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association were elected at the annual business meeting of the Section in Asheville on December 15, 1947: Chairman - Jean P. Blue, R.N., Raleigh; First Vice-Chairman - Atha Howell, R.N., Greensboro; Second Vice-Chairman - Mrs. Florence Johnson, R.N., Goldsboro; Secretary - Annie H. Robinson, R.N., Concord.

At the midyear meeting of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association in Raleigh, March 4, 5, 6, 1948, the Public Health Section held a short business meeting at State Hospital on March 5, with the Chairman presiding. In the absence of the Secretary, Miss Annie Robinson, Mrs. Louise P. East acted as secretary.

A letter was read from N.O.P.H.N. regarding the public health nurse's uniform. Any change in the uniform was discouraged by N.O.P.H.N. It was brought out, however, that white collars could be worn if so desired.

A notice regarding the activities of the Idell Buchan Memorial Loan Fund Committee was read by Mrs. East. This committee was appointed by the North Carolina Public Health Association to raise a fund of at least $500 in honor of Miss Buchan. This fund will be used for the benefit of public health nurses from North Carolina who are students of public health at the University of North Carolina. The Section voted to support this movement. Ways and means for raising money were discussed.

Following the business meeting, the Public Health Section with all others attending the midyear meeting were dinner guests of State Hospital.

Immediately following the dinner, a program sponsored by the North Carolina League of Nursing Education and the Public Health Section of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association was presented. This program was a round table discussion on "Integration of the Social and Health Aspects in the Basic Curriculum." Participating in the discussion were outstanding leaders in nursing education. This was very informative and stimulating. Recommendations were made that we have more programs of a like nature in district meetings throughout the state.

Committees appointed for the year were as follows: Program Committee - Atha Howell, R.N., Chairman, Greensboro; Elizabeth Moore, R.N., Raleigh; Mrs. Kate Williamson, R.N., Fayetteville; Mrs. Edith Brocker, R.N., Chapel Hill. Nominating Committee - Mrs. Maude S. Morgan, R.N., Chairman, Asheville; Mrs. Emily Pickard, R.N., Durham; Mrs. Adelaide Peiffer, R.N., Wilmington.

During the Public Health Nursing Week, public health organizations throughout the state observed the week by talks to civic clubs, exhibits, and radio programs. Your chairman appeared on a radio program over WPTF with Mrs. W. C. Pressley. This program was in the form of an interview intended to acquaint the public with the scope of a public health nurse's work. Many favorable comments were received regarding the broadcast.

As a member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, your chairman has attended all of the regular and called meetings of the Board. Many matters of interest and importance to all nurses were discussed at these meetings. One does not realize the time and effort required to keep the machinery of an organization, such as the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, going until one really has an inside view. I feel that it would be well if each member of the Association could at some time serve as a member of the Board of Directors, and in this way come to more fully realize and appreciate the work done by our executive staff.

REPORT OF PRIVATE DUTY SECTION, N.C.S.N.A.
Paulyne Kenney, R.N., Chairman

The midyear meeting of the Private Duty Section of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association was held at State Hospital, Raleigh, March 5, 1948. Thirty-four members and five visitors attended. Eight district private duty sections submitted reports.

A report of this Section was prepared and sent to the Biennial Convention.

A survey of private duty fees was made in February, discussed at the midyear meeting and published in the spring issue of the Tar Heel Nurse.

Miss Thelma Laird, Associate Executive Secretary of ANA, spoke at the midyear meeting of the Section on the advantages of private duty nurses formulating minimum state-wide standards for private duty nurses. After much discussion about state-wide minimum standards of fees, hours of duty and other personnel practices for private duty nurses, the Section voted to take action on this matter at the annual business session in October 1948.

Suggestions were made to the A.N.A. Private Duty Section Committee on Nominations as to officers and to the Secretary of the A.N.A. Section for committee members.

Your Chairman has received the following communications from Harriet Stambach, Chairman of the A.N.A. Private Duty Section:

July 30, 1948 - "The officers of the A.N.A. Private Duty Section join me in sending greetings and best wishes for a happy vacation time.

In compliance with requests we are enclosing the following material:

1. Copy of the rules for the A.N.A. Private Duty Section as amended during the 1948 biennial meetings of the Section, and,

2. Copy of the resolutions adopted by the A.N.A. Private Duty Section during the 1948 biennial meetings of the Section.

At this time we are unable to send you a copy of the recommendations made by the Section to the A.N.A. Board of Directors. The recommendations will be presented for consideration at the next Board meeting. Following that meeting we will send you a copy of the recommendations, plus the Board action on them.

One of the tasks confronting your officers is the appointment of standing committees for the A.N.A. Private Duty Section. It may be necessary to ask you for additional names in order to make these committee appointments; so if you could be giving some thought to this matter, it will save time if it is necessary to make such a request.

You will be interested to know that we are making tentative plans for a workshop for the chairmen of state private duty sections. We hope arrangements can be developed so that the workshop will be held late this fall. Also being considered is some system whereby state private duty section chairmen can exchange information informally. Details concerning these two projects will be sent you as soon as more definite plans are completed.

In the meantime, your officers sincerely hope that each of you will not hesitate to submit any suggestions that you think will contribute to the effectiveness of our private duty section."

August 30, 1948 - "For a long time state private duty section chairmen have requested that some provision be made whereby they could have an informal exchange of information. We are glad to tell you that we are going to attempt to fill this need. The success of the venture is wholly dependent upon the cooperation and interest of state section chairmen. A.N.A. Headquarters office will mimeograph and mail the material; but all material, with the exception of that supplied by your A.N.A. Private Duty Section chairman, must come from you.

We hope to have the first issue ready by October. This means that any material you wish to include should be in this office by September 20; this is our first attempt and we will all learn as we go along.

Probably you are wondering what to say. In the first place, you might mention items about which you would like comment from other chairmen. Perhaps you in your state have been able to enroll 100% of your private duty nurses as members in the state nurses' associations. The other chairmen would be interested to learn how you accomplished this. We hear that in some areas private duty nursing is included in prepayment health plans--is it successful? How did the private duty nurses in your state gain the cooperation of the hospital authorities? What kind of program did you have at that recent meeting that created so much interest? If these suggestions have made you think of something you would like to say or hear about, they have served their purpose.

This is the only notice that will be sent you concerning this subject, so do not neglect to send your contribution to Harriet Stambach, R.N., Chairman,

A.N.A. Private Duty Section, 1790 Broadway, New York 19, New York, by September 20.

You will be interested to know that after serious consideration, it seems advisable to plan the workshop for next February instead of late this fall or early in the winter. This conclusion was arrived at because the large number of state meetings in the fall and the holidays of the late fall and early winter make it impossible to plan a meeting during that period so that all chairmen could attend.

We feel sure that the private duty section chairmen will be glad to know that Mrs. Dorothy Hinckley is joining the A.N.A. Headquarters' staff of September 1. Mrs. Hinckley is coming directly from the field of private duty nursing and one of her major responsibilities on the staff will be in the interest of our private duty group."

Letters have been sent to all district sections in regard to meetings.

Several private duty nurses have been recruited through the Section for the polio emergency. Different sections have given donations to this cause.

Your Chairman attended all meetings of the Board of Directors of the Association and a workshop on Public Relations in Raleigh on August 13.

REPORT OF INSTITUTIONAL STAFF NURSE SECTION, N.C.S.N.A.
Mrs. Lena P. Stanley, R.N., Chairman

Other officers of the Section are: First Vice-Chairman - Rhoda Ann Gardner, R.N., N. C. Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem; Second Vice-Chairman - Mrs. Myrtle Leonard, R.N., Duke Hospital, Durham; Secretary - Mrs. Louise C. Hayduke, R.N., James Walker Memorial Hospital, Wilmington.

The midyear meeting of the Section was held at State Capitol in Raleigh on March 5, 1948, with approximately twenty-five members present representing seven district sections.

Miss Yvonne Ward, Assistant Executive Secretary of A.N.A., attended the midyear meeting and explained that there had been a resolution adopted by the A.N.A. Board of Directors that the Institutional Staff Nurse Section be divided into two groups: one for supervisors up and one for head nurses down. During the Biennial Convention in Chicago in June, the A.N.A. Administrative Nurse Section was organized and will include nurses in administrative and supervisory nursing staff positions. The Institutional Staff Nurse Section recommended to the A.N.A. Board of Directors that its name be changed to the A.N.A. General Duty Nurses Section and that membership include nurses employed on a staff basis who actually give bedside nursing care. Head nurses may choose membership in either section on the basis of the degree of bedside care she renders. The section voted to consider the matter of two sections at the annual meeting in October.

The North Carolina State Nurses' Association conducted a two-day Institute for the Institutional Staff Nurse Section in Raleigh, March 4 and 5,1948. Three members of the A.N.A. staff contributed to the institute program: Thelma Laird, Associate Executive Secretary, Yvonne Ward and Teresa Hayes, Assistant Executive Secretaries. One hundred and eighteen nurses registered for the institute.

Geraldine Maxwell (now Mrs. Paul Adams), Staff Nurse at Baker-Thompson Memorial Hospital, Lumberton, and "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1947," represented North Carolina staff nurses at a national conference on A.N.A. Economic Security Program, which was held in San Francisco, California, last April. Mrs. Adams prepared a report of the conference which was published in the September issue of the Tar Heel Nurse.

Your Chairman attended the Institute for Institutional Staff Nurses in Raleigh, March 4 and 5; the Workshop on Public Relations in Raleigh on August 13; the A.N.A. Biennial Convention in Chicago, Illinois, May 31 - June 4; a state-wide conference on Professional Counseling and Placement in Raleigh in April; the final contest to crown "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948" in Raleigh in April; and all meetings of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

Your Chairman served as a member of the A.N.A. Committee on Resolutions for the Biennial Convention in Chicago, Illinois, May 31 - June 4.

The progress of the Economic Security Program has been of primary concern to the Section during the past year. The officers of the Section have been in close touch with the Headquarters' staff regarding the implementation of the program in several institutions. While much opposition has been encountered, employment conditions in several hospitals have very definitely been improved.

REPORT OF OFFICE AND INDUSTRIAL SECTION, N.C.S.N.A.
Frances Beck, R.N., Chairman

No mid-year meeting of this Section was held.

Mrs. Katy Birmingham, of Charlotte, who was elected Chairman, resigned as of April 28, 1948. As Vice-Chairman, I automatically became your Chairman on May 12, 1948. Miss Ruth Miller of Greensboro is Secretary.

REPORTS OF CONSTITUENT DISTRICT NURSES' ASSOCIATIONS

DISTRICT ONE - ASHEVILLE
Elaine Washburn, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 11
Average attendance - 43
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 3
Membership - 340
Alumnae Associations - 10
Nurses' Clubs - 0

Programs:

October 1947 — Report of special meeting of A.N.A. House of Delegates, Elaine Washburn, R.N., President.

November 1947	"Outline of Tuberculosis Work at Oteen," Dr. Robert Moyer, Medical Director, Veteran's Facility, Oteen. District was entertained at Facility.
December 1947	Supper meeting--Christmas program.
January 1948	Annual business meeting.
February 1948	Public Health Services and Health Department Activities, a film, "The Health Department in Action."
March 1948	District contest to select "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948."
	"Entrance Requirements for Schools of Nursing," Helen E. Peeler, Counselor and Associate Executive Secretary of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.
April 1948	"Types of Mental Diseases." Demonstration of Electric Shock Therapy, Dr. William Ray Griffin. District was entertained at Appalachian Hall.
May 1948	"Heart Diseases," Dr. S. L. Crow.
June 1948	Report of Biennial Convention of A.N.A., N.L.N.E. and N.O.P.H.N., Elaine Washburn, R.N., President.
September 1948	"Various Activities of the Professional Nursing Associations," Edna L. Heinzerling, R.N., President of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.
	"Legislation Affecting Nursing" and "Structure Study," Mrs. Marie B. Noell, R.N., Executive Secretary of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association. District was entertained at Mission Hospital.

Achievements:

Host to Forty-fifth Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, October 1947.
Sent president to midyear meetings of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association in Raleigh, March 1948, and Biennial Convention in Chicago, Illinois, in June 1948.
District dues were increased.
Salaries of Registrar and assistant were increased.
Registry fee was raised to $20.
Provided honorarium of $50 for District Treasurer.
Continued American Journal of Nursing for sick nurses at Veteran's Facility, Oteen.
Secured forty subscriptions to the American Journal of Nursing.
Endorsed Blood Program of Southeastern Area of the American Red Cross and proposed program for Asheville and Western North Carolina.
Three copies of the History of Nursing in North Carolina sold.
Contributed $25 for Christmas baskets for sick nurses.
Donated $50 to Idell Buchan Memorial Fund of the North Carolina Public Health Association.
Presented gift to district winner of contest to select "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948."
Contributed $50 to Buncombe County Community Chest Fund.
Members were notified of each district meeting by postal card.
Five $100 U. S. Savings Bonds were purchased.

Problems:

Lack of interest in Institutional Staff Section.
Lack of wholehearted participation of all nursing groups in district.

Problems are Being Met By:
Notice of meetings sent to members.
More interesting programs.

Financial Status:
Balance on hand - $252.07.
Invested in U. S. Savings Bonds - $900.

Miscellaneous:
Structure Study has been discussed at three meetings.
Recruitment activities: District winner visited three schools; Mrs. Grady Morgan visited five schools; Public Health nurses in all counties have visited high schools.
President and others have spoken to Business and Professional Women's Club, church groups and Parent Teacher Association on "Nursing Activities."

DISTRICT TWO - WINSTON-SALEM
Anna Shupp, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 10
Average attendance - 56
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 10
Membership - 237
Alumnae Associations - 4
Nurses' Clubs - 2

Programs:

October 1947	"Contact Lens," Dr. D. C. Quirter.
November 1947	Report of Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, Edna L. Heinzerling, R.N., President, N.C.S.N.A., and Anna Shupp, President of District Two.
	Report of American Congress of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Ethel Shore.
December 1947	Annual dinner meeting - Election of officers and entertainment.
January 1948	"Our Heritage," Reverend Douglas Rights.
February 1948	"Coronary Heart Disease--Diagnosis and Treatment," Dr. Robert McMillan.
March 1948	Public Program at First Baptist Church.
	Red Cross Program by students of the City Memorial Hospital School of Nursing.
	Selection of district winner in 1948 Recruitment contest.
April 1948	Guests of Martin Memorial Hospital staff, Mount Airy.
May 1948	"Child Guidance," Grace Frazier.
June 1948	Reports of Biennial Convention, Edna L. Heinzerling and Anna Shupp.
	Dinner meeting.
September 1948	"Structure Study," Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Executive Secretary, N.C.S.N.A.

Problems:
All groups of nurses are not represented in membership.

Problems are Being Met By:
Endeavor to interest them.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - $98.
Leah Weisner Memorial Scholarship - $146.24.
Invested in Reynolds Stock - $1,659.38.

Miscellaneous:

Participated in state program of Student Nurse Recruitment visiting city and county high schools.
Secured much newspaper publicity.
Sponsored motion picture for district benefit.
Entertained graduates of four nursing schools in district at dance.

DISTRICT THREE - CHARLOTTE
Clara Henderson, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 8
Average attendance - 44
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 4
Membership - 570
Alumnae Associations - 10
Nurses' Clubs - 2

Programs:

October 1947	405 Reserve Evacuation Unit, Dr. Jack Neese.
	Report of Special Meeting of A.N.A. House of Delegates, Mrs. Lena Nash Johnston.
December 1947	Report of Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, Mrs. Ida Mills Ross.
	Musical Program, Students of the Charlotte Memorial Hospital School of Nursing.
January 1948	"Dental Care in School," Dr. Stodt. Movie on public health.
February 1948	"Treatment of Traumatic Kidneys," Dr. Lynch.
March 1948	"The Program of the N. C. Good Health Association," Dr. Gaul.
	District Contest of State Recruitment Program to select "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948."
April 1948	"Blood Bank Program of American Red Cross," Dr. W. S. Cornell.
May 1948	Humorous Talk, Mrs. Ralph Morgan.
June 1948	"Atomic Energy," Dr. Jack Neese.
	Nurse Recruitment Program of Army, Col. Galloway.
	Report of Biennial Convention, Clara Henderson.

Problems:

Poor attendance at district meetings.
Difficulty in getting members to serve as officers.

Problems are Being Met By:

Mailing notices of meetings to members and announcing meetings in papers.

Financial Status:

Balance on checking account - $1,814.52.
Invested in bonds and Building and Loan stock - $5,000

Miscellaneous:

The district is planning a discussion on Structure Study this fall.
Speakers relative to Student Nurse Recruitment were provided for high school groups.

DISTRICT FOUR - GREENSBORO
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Clement, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 11
Average attendance - 53
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 3
Membership - 309
Alumnae Associations - 1
Nurses' Clubs - 2

Programs:

October 1947	Met with Alamance Nurses' Club in Burlington. "Legal Responsibility of Nurses," Honorable George Long.
November 1947	Annual Dinner Meeting - Election of officers.
December 1947	Christmas banquet - exchange of gifts.
January 1948	Dinner Meeting, pictures of hunting trips in Alaska and Canada, Dr. J. W. Tankersley.
February 1948	Dinner Meeting. Report of A.N.A. Advisory Council Meeting, Edna L. Heinzerling, President of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.
March 1948	Dinner Meeting. District contest to select "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948."
April 1948	Met with High Point Nurses' Club. "The Treatment of Tuberculosis," Dr. Bonner, Jamestown.
May 1948	Dinner Meeting. "Current Trends in Nursing," Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Executive Secretary, N.C.S.N.A.; "The Program of Counseling and Placement," Helen E. Peeler, Counselor, N.C.S.N.A.
June 1948	Dinner Meeting.
August 1948	Picnic
September 1948	Business Meeting.

Achievements:

Graduates of the High Point Memorial Hospital School of Nursing are in the process of reorganizing their Alumnae Association.
Nurses in Reidsville are in the process of organizing a club.
Sick nurses were remembered with cards and flowers.
District sponsored a bridge party and presented proceeds of $100 to Polio Fund.
Provided one student nurse scholarship.

Problems:

Lack of interest in district meetings.
Poor attendance.

Problems are Being Met By:

Having dinner meetings.
Encouraging directors of nurses in hospitals to request that all nurses belong to the State Nurses' Association.

Financial Status:

Balance on hand - $92.
Invested in Bonds - $400.

Miscellaneous:

Secured radio time for announcements of Student Nurse Recruitment.
Miss Lake Allen spoke to Senior Girl Scout group regarding nursing.

DISTRICT FIVE - DURHAM

Mrs. Gertrude Rose, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 8
Average attendance - 33
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 6

Membership - 308
Alumnae Associations - 2
Nurses' Clubs - 0

Programs:

October 1947	Report of Special Meeting of A.N.A. House of Delegates, Miss Florence K. Wilson.
November 1947	Report of Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and North Carolina League of Nursing Education, Mrs. Flora Stanley, Mrs. Emily Pickard, Mrs. Edith Brocker, Mrs. Eva Warren, Miss Lois Cox and Miss Lee (student).
December 1947	Annual Business Meeting.
January 1948	"The Status of the Professional Nurse in Relation to Her Future Preparation, Responsibilities and Recognition," Dr. Eugene Stead.
March 1948	"Nursing Needs in North Carolina," Miss Flora Wakefield. Music by Glee Clubs of Watts Hospital and Duke University Schools of Nursing. District contest to select "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948."
April 1948	Symposium - "Better Nursing Care," Dr. Helen Nahm, Chairman. Participants: Dr. Eleanor Easley, physician; Harold Mickey, hospital administrator; Mrs. W. A. Brownell, former patient; Hilda Rakes, nurse.
May 1948	Panel Discussion - "Premises to be Considered in Studying the Structure of Local Organization," Dr. Helen Nahm, Moderator. Participants: Students and Instructors of Duke University School of Nursing.
June 1948	Picnic honoring senior students of Duke University and Watts Hospital Schools of Nursing.
September 1948	Dinner Meeting.

Achievements:

Cooperated in State Contest on Student Nurse Recruitment.
Entertained senior students of schools of nursing in district.
Sent delegates to Biennial Convention of A.N.A., N.L.N.E. and N O.P.H.N. in Chicago, Illinois, May 31 - June 4.
Sent district president to - (1) Midyear Meetings of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, Raleigh, March 3-4-5; (2) State Workshop on Structure Study, Raleigh, June 29; (3) State Workshop on Public Relations, Raleigh, August 13.
Purchased A.N.A. Workshop Manual.
Created Committee on Finance.
Provided replacement for Registrar while she was attending A.N.A. Conference for Registrars, which was held in Chicago, February 1948.
Contributed $20 to sick members of district.
Increased Registrar's salary.

Increased Registry fee $5.
Increased district dues $2.
Increased schedule of fees for private duty nursing.
Contributed to Community Crusade of American Overseas Aid - United Nations Appeal for Children.

Problems:
Poor attendance at meetings.
Recent graduates not joining district.
Understanding by the public of nurses and the nursing profession.

Problems are Being Met By:
Interesting programs.
More dinner meetings.
Newspaper publicity and posting notices of meetings on bulletin boards of hospitals and health departments.

Financial Status:
Balance on hand - $1,238.99

DISTRICT SIX - RALEIGH
Grace Mitchell, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 10
Average attendance - 40
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 3
Membership - 340
Alumnae Associations - 3
Nurses' Clubs - 1

Programs:

October 1947	Mary Elizabeth Alumnae - "Infantile Paralysis and Its Treatment," Nancy Robb.
November 1947	Private Duty Section - Report of 1947 Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, Jean Blue, Flora Wakefield and Sybil Craig.
December 1947	Dorothea Dix Alumnae - "The Use of Insulin in Treatment of Mental Cases," Mrs. Milas Green.
January 1948	Annual Meeting - Election of officers.
February 1948	Rex Alumnae - Musical - Jennie Lynn Jones and Martha Daniels, soloists.
March 1948	District Contest to select "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948." "The Outstanding Nurse," Dr. Charles Styron.
April 1948	Wake County Tuberculosis Sanatorium - "Streptomycin in the Treatment of Tuberculosis," Dr. Thomas L. Umphlet.
May 1948	Henderson Nurses' Club, Henderson - Musical Program.
June 1948	Annual picnic.
September 1948	Mary Elizabeth Alumnae - "Cerebral Palsy and Its Treatment," Dr. Andrew Chesson.

Achievements:
President sent to Biennial Convention of A.N.A., N.L.N.E. and N.O.P.H.N. in Chicago, Illinois, May 31 - June 4.

Donations of $15 sent to three disabled nurses.
Donation of $25 to American Red Cross.

Financial Status:
Balance on hand - $983.54.
Invested in Bonds - $200.

DISTRICT SEVEN - FAYETTEVILLE
C. Margaret Johnson, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 10
Average attendance - 50
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 5
Membership - 210
Alumnae Associations - 3
Nurses' Clubs - 1

Programs:

October 1947	Veterans Hospital, Fayetteville - "Structure Study" (Report of Special Meeting of A.N.A. House of Delegates in Chicago, Illinois.)
November 1947	Hamlet Hospital, Hamlet - Report of 1948 Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association, Agnes Kelly.
December 1947	Scotland County Hospital - "Early Post-operative Ambulation," Dr. F. M. Simmons Patterson.
January 1948	Highsmith Hospital, Fayetteville - Annual Business Meeting.
February 1948	Dunn Hospital, Dunn - "Current Activities of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association," Mrs. Marie B. Noell, Executive Secretary, N.C.S.N.A. "Progress of Practical Nurse Education in North Carolina," Miriam Daughtry, Educational Director of Schools of Nursing in North Carolina.
March 1948	Public Meeting, High School Auditorium, Fayetteville - District Contest to select "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948." "Your Hospital and Your Health," Dr. Roscoe McMillan, Secretary, Medical Society of North Carolina; "Nursing Education--A Public Responsibility," Mrs. W. Reece Berryhill; "The Advantages of a Nursing Career," student Contestants; Music, Flora McDonald Choir.
April 1948	Lee County Hospital, Sanford - "Keeping Up with Your Profession," Dr. Helen Nahm.
May 1948	Moore County Hospital, Pinehurst - "Coronary Heart Disease," Dr. Roscoe McMillan; "Progress of the Economic Security Program," Geraldine Maxwell.
June 1948	Baker-Thompson Memorial Hospital, Lumberton - Report of Biennial Convention of A.N.A., N.L.N.E. and N.O.P.H.N.; "Public Relations," George Knudson.
September 1948	Pittman Hospital, Fayetteville - Film, "This Way to Nursing."

Achievements:
Sent delegate to 1948 Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

Sent delegate to Institute for Institutional Staff Nurses, March 3-4, Raleigh.
Sent delegate to Biennial Convention of A.N.A., N.L.N.E. and N.O.P.H.N., May 31 - June 4, Chicago, Illinois.
Increased district dues $1.50.
Contributed $25 to Mary Lewis Wyche Loan Fund.
Contributed $5 to Isabel Hampton Robb Loan Fund.

Problems:
Inadequate knowledge of nursing resources of district.
Lack of headquarters for operating base and for storage of district records and supplies.
Distance separating officers and committee members.

Problems are Being Met By:
Membership Committee securing names and status of nurses in various areas of district.
Improvement of financial status and consideration of permanent space for records and supplies.

Financial Status:
Balance on hand (Scottish Bank of Lumberton) - $332.28.
Invested in Bonds - $300.

Miscellaneous:
Portion of two district meetings have been devoted to Structure Study discussions.
Personnel policies have been improved in some hospitals.
Five members attended State Workshop on Public Relations, August 13 in Raleigh.
Representative spoke at annual meeting of District Nine of the N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs.
Secured radio time and newspaper publicity for district public meeting in March; provided speakers on Recruitment for high schools.

DISTRICT EIGHT - WILSON
Emily Morton, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 8
Average attendance - 443
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 7
Membership - 420
Alumnae Associations - 5
Nurses' Clubs - 5

Programs:

November 1947	Reports of 1948 Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and North Carolina League of Nursing Education.
January 1948	Annual Business Meeting.
February 1948	Report of Institutional Staff Nurse Section - Mrs. Lena P. Stanley, Chairman of State Section.
March 1948	District Contest to select "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948." Music by Greenville Glee Club.
April 1948	"The Program of Work of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association with Emphasis on Counseling," Helen E. Peeler, Counselor and Associate Executive Secretary of the N.C.S.N.A. Entertainment: Music and Dances.

May 1948	"Nurses Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," Edna L. Heinzerling, President, N.C.S.N.A.
June 1948	Reports of Biennial Convention of A.N.A., N.L.N.E. and N.O.P.H.N.
September 1948	"Structure Study," Florence Wilson, Chairman, Committee on Structure, N.C.S.N.A.

Problems:

Lack of interest among young graduates in attending district meetings.

Problems are Being Met By:

Notifying them of meetings through alumnae associations.

Financial Status:

Balance in checking account - $354.38.
Balance in savings - $513.

Miscellaneous:

Contributed $10 to Idell Buchan Memorial Fund of the N. C. Public Health Association.
Contributed $25 to American Red Cross.
Contributed $43 (through alumnae associations) to Community Crusade Overseas Aid - United Nations Appeal for Children.
Cooperated in state program of Student Nurse Recruitment by visiting high schools.

DISTRICT NINE - WILMINGTON

Mrs. Adelaide J. Peiffer, R.N., President

Number of meetings of District - 10	Membership - 228
Average attendance - 22.3	Alumnae Associations - 1
Number of meetings of Board of Directors - 1	Nurses' Clubs - 3

Programs:

March 1948	Report of Survey of Nutrition Status of New Hanover County, Dorothy Keiley, Food Consultant.
April 1948	Survey of Tuberculosis - New Hanover County, Lucy Nash, Executive Secretary, New Hanover County Tuberculosis Association.
June 1948	Cancer Clinic, Dr. Donald Koonce.
	Seven Business Meetings.

Achievements:

Two nurses volunteered to serve in Cancer Clinic each week for three and one-half months.
District and Alumnae Association jointly entertained graduating class of James Walker Memorial Hospital School of Nursing at a picnic. Each graduate received a gift.
Paid state and A.N.A. dues for four ill nurses.
Burgaw Nurses' Club organized.

Problems:

Lack of interest on part of members in attending district meetings.

Problems are Being Met By:

Sending each member a notice of meetings and publicizing meetings in newspapers.

Miscellaneous:

Institutional Staff Nurse Section is active. Nurses at James Walker Memorial Hospital secured much improved employment conditions through Economic Security Program of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association.

Structure Study has been considered by members.

Registrar attended A.N.A. Conference for Registrars in Chicago, Illinois, February 15-18, 1948.

REPORTS OF NURSES' CLUBS

District Two

LEXINGTON NURSES' CLUB
Virginia Dack, R.N., Chairman

No Report

SALISBURY NURSES' CLUB
Mrs. W. P. Honeycutt, R.N., Chairman

No Report

District Four

HIGH POINT NURSES' CLUB
Mrs. Lala Johnson, R.N., Chairman

The High Point Nurses' Club, with a membership of sixty-six, has had six dinner and business meetings with an average attendance of twenty-five. The Club has seven new members and has lost one member by transfer to District Five and has had one death - Miss Wilma Webb.

The Club cooperated with the district in the district contest to select "Miss N. C. Student Nurse of 1948" and Miss Priscilla England from High Point Memorial Hospital in High Point was chosen to represent District Four. Many members of the Club accompanied Miss England to Raleigh for the state finals.

Mrs. Sophronia Hawkins was sent by the Club to the Institute for Institutional Staff Nurses and the Midyear Advisory Council meeting in Raleigh, March 4-5-6, 1948. Mrs. Hawkins gave a splendid report of both meetings.

Several members of the Club volunteered their services to the Girl Scout Camp during the summer which enabled the camp to meet its standard requirements.

The Club entertained the graduating class of High Point Memorial Hospital at the City Lake in June.

The Club entertained the members of District Four of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association at its regular monthly meeting in April.

Flowers and cards were sent to sick members and in sickness and death in the family of members.

The Program Committee has arranged the following very interesting and educational programs: (1) "Nursing From the Human Standpoint," Dr. P. E. Lindley, High Point College; (2) "Cause, Prevention, Cure and Principles of Nursing in Tuberculosis," Dr. E. D. Bonner and Miss Ruth Anderson, Guilford County Sanitorium; (3) "The Nurse's Place and Responsibility in Current World Affairs," Mr. O. A. Kirkman, High Point; (4) "An Alaskan Hunting Trip," Dr. J. W. Tankersley, Greensboro.

Contributions were made to the American Red Cross and Tuberculosis Seal Fund.

The Club has a balance of $169.83 in the treasury.

ALAMANCE NURSES' CLUB
Mrs. Carl Crabtree, R.N., Chairman

The Alamance Nurses' Club, with a membership of fifty-five, has had ten monthly meetings with an average attendance of twenty-six.

The following programs were arranged: October 1947 - "Legal Responsibilities of Nurses," Mr. George Long, Attorney; November 1947 - "RH Blood Factor," Dr. S. C. Spoon; December 1947 - Annual Committee Reports, Christmas Social Party; January 1948 - Installation of new officers and appointment of new committees; February 1948 - Discussion of Student Nurse's Loan Fund; March 1948 - Two films on "Cancer Control" were presented; April 1948 - "Functions and Program of Work of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association," Helen E. Peeler, R.N.; May 1948 - "Activities of the Council of Social Agencies of Alamance County," Mr. Harold Weekley, Secretary of the Council; June 1948 - Social Program; July 1948 - Picnic; September 1948 - "Socialized Medicine," Dr. George L. Carrington.

The following donations were made: Community Chest - $13; $19 to a needy nurse; The American Red Cross - $44.18.

Achievements: Increase in attendance at meetings; $1,330.67 raised for a Student Loan Fund. One student enrolled in St. Leo's Hospital School of Nursing is using the Fund.

ASHEBORO NURSES' CLUB

This office recently received information from Miss Lucy Davis, Asheboro, that this Club was discontinued in 1947.

District Seven

DUNN NURSES' CLUB
M. Irene Lassiter, R.N., Chairman

The Dunn Nurses' Club, with a membership of twenty-five, has had eight meetings and one call meeting with an average attendance of fifteen.

The call meeting was held on February 5, 1948, to determine whether or not the Club would continue as a sub-division of District Seven and the North

Carolina State Nurses' Association. After much discussion, the majority voted for continuation of the Club as in 1947.

Members of District Seven were guests of the Club at the regular February meeting. The hostesses were Dunn Hospital and Good Hospital, Erwin.

Achievements: Annual handbook and monthly bulletin, "Nurses' Chatter" on local, state and national facts of nursing were published. Free passes to the movies twice weekly were obtained for a crippled child. Aided underprivileged families by collecting discarded clothes, and playing Santa Claus for one child. Bound volumes of 1947 American Journal of Nursing were presented to Dunn Hospital, Inc. and Good Hope Hospital, Erwin. Members of the Club talked to high school students regarding nursing as a profession.

Contributions: $1 to each of the following causes - Mary Lewis Wyche Loan Fund, Isabell Hampton Robb Loan Fund, A.N.A. Nightingale International Fund, Red Cross Drive and $10 to the Dunn Memorial Swimming Pool.

The Club was well represented at all district meetings. The Club representative and several Club members attended meetings of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association. Valuable information has been received from both the district and the State Office during 1947 and 1948.

The Club has a balance of $45 in the treasury.

District Eight

GREENVILLE NURSES' CLUB
Pearl Dixon, R.N., Chairman

No Report.

WASHINGTON NURSES' CLUB
Mrs. Katie Griss Paul, R.N., Chairman

No Report

GOLDSBORO NURSES' CLUB
Doris L. Flowers, R.N., Chairman

The Goldsboro Registered Nurses' Club has nineteen paid members, with an average attendance of ten at the meetings.

In October, the Club honored the graduating class of the Goldsboro Hospital with a barbecue supper and gifts. At the December meeting the Club enjoyed a Christmas party. In January the Private Duty Section and Institutional Staff Section were organized. The Club entertained District Eight at the February meeting.

The Club submitted twenty-five new subscriptions to the American Journal of Nursing this year.

Our local theatre manager has consented to use two movies on student nurse recruitment during Nursing Progress Week.

Many of the members of the Club belong to the Business and Professional Women's Club in Goldsboro.

KINSTON NURSES' CLUB
Edna Rouse, R.N., Chairman

The Kinston Nurses' Club, with a membership of twenty-eight, has held nine monthly meetings with an average attendance of fifteen.

The Club entertained the members of District Eight in May. Miss Edna L. Heinzerling was the guest speaker.

Sick and disabled members were remembered with flowers, and gifts and a sunshine box was sent to a local invalid nurse. A donation of $100 was given toward the piano for student nurses.

The Club sponsored a membership drive and contacted all local registered nurses.

The Club cooperated with the local Woman's Club in the American Overseas Aid--United Nations Appeal for Children.

The Lila Bell Fund contains 140.93.

The Club has a balance of $53.54 in the treasury.

ALBEMARLE NURSES' CLUB
Mrs. Lydia Reid, R.N., Chairman

No Report

District Nine

NEW BERN NURSES' CLUB
Mary McNeal, R.N., Chairman

No Report

COLUMBUS COUNTY NURSES' CLUB
Mrs. Leah L. Fisher, R.N., Chairman

The Columbus County Graduate Nurses' Club was reorganized in January of 194-, with eight members present. The Club will meet monthly on the third Thursday. The following officers were elected: President - Mrs. Leah L. Fisher, R.N.; Vice-President - Mrs. Mary Leaman, R.N.; Secretary-Treasurer - Mildred Garrell, R.N.

By-laws for the Club were drawn up and approved. The annual dues for each member is $1 plus a small sunshine collection for incidentals such as flowers, cards, recreation, etc.

A Program Committee of two members was appointed to serve for three months. Doctors and professional leaders are invited to the meetings as guest speakers and asked to speak on various subjects of interest.

The Club meetings are held in homes of the members assigned alphabetically each month with this member serving as hostess.

Whenever possible, members of the Club attend the district meeting in Wilmington. In order to keep in touch with the activities of the district, the

Club has requested a copy of the minutes of the district monthly meetings.

The Club now has a total membership of thirteen active members, and is striving to urge each graduate nurse in the county to attend the meetings and become members of the district.

PENDER COUNTY NURSES' CLUB

Recently received information from Mrs. Alma Player Lewis, Chairman, who states that the Club is no longer functioning.

REPORTS OF ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DISTRICT ONE — TEN ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

APPALACHIAN HALL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. L. A. Broom, R.N., President

No Report

ASHEVILLE MISSION ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Martha Rogers Williams, R.N., President

The Asheville Mission Hospital Alumnae Association, with a membership of forty-nine, has held five meetings.

The Association honored the graduating class of 1948 with a picnic on May 20, 1948.

The 1947 Volume of the American Journal of Nursing is being bound and will be presented as a gift to the school of nursing library.

Revised constitution and by-laws of the Association.

Due to the merger of the Asheville Mission Hospital with Memorial Hospital Organization, the name of our Association will in the future be known as Memorial Mission Hospital Alumnae Association.

The Association has a balance of $74.81 in the treasury.

ASTON PARK ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Glee Bumgardner, R.N., President

No Report

BILTMORE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Jean Henson, R.N., President

The Biltmore Hospital Alumnae Association, with a membership of thirty-nine, has had two meetings, and are making plans for a third meeting. Twenty-six are members of the American Nurses' Association.

Donations: Christmas Cheer Fund - $5; Idell Buchan Memorial Fund - $10; and individual donations to The Orthopedic Home in Asheville.

The Associaton presented gifts to the former Biltmore students who graduated this year. The Association also renewed the subscription to the American Journal of Nursing for the hospital library.

GRACE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION - BANNER ELK
Mrs. Mary S. Shook, R.N., President

The Grace Hospital Alumnae Association of Banner Elk has had regular bi-monthly meetings with thirteen active and nine inactive members.

The Association donated records to the Student Nurses' Home, and $10 to the hospital library for magazine subscriptions.

The Association also entertained and furnished flowers for the graduating class.

Two delegates will be sent to the Annual Convention.

GRACE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION - MORGANTON
Iris McGimsey, R.N., President

The Grace Hospital Alumnae Association of Morganton has had monthly meetings the second Tuesday in each month, with thirty-five resident members ten non-resident members, and an average attendance of eighteen.

The programs have consisted of routine business and interesting lectures, and each month the hostesses have served delightful refreshments.

Achievements: A Christmas party was held, to which all Morganton nurses were invited and remembered with a gift; presentation of awards at the graduating exercises to the student with the highest scholastic average and to the best-all-around student; monthly parties for the student nurses; a box containing a gift from each member was sent to two ill nurses; textbooks were sent to nursing schools in foreign countries; five shares of Building and Loan were bought.

Balance in bank - $225.09.

HIGHLAND ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Marjorie Johnson, R.N., President

No Report

MERIWETHER ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Raven P. Noland, R.N., President

No Report

MOUNTAIN SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Helen Self, R.N., President

No Report

RUTHERFORD ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. W. D. Flack, R.N., President

The Rutherford Alumnae Association, with a membership of forty-three, has had nine meetings with an average attendance of fourteen.

The Association sent flowers, cards and gifts to its members, doctors and the hospital staff and their families who were sick or bereaved.

A donation of $25 was made to the Rutherford Hospital Building Fund.

The graduating class of Rutherford Hospital School of Nursing was honored at a picnic at the May meeting

Programs have consisted of routine, business, social hours and interesting discussions. At the December meeting, the Association enjoyed a Christmas party.

DISTRICT TWO FIVE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

CITY MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Elizabeth S. Neal, R.N., President

The City Memorial Hospital Alumnae Association met in September for the first time since June. The average attendance was twelve.

At the June meeting, the guest speaker, Mrs. Kenneth Phohl, spoke on "Music in Relation to Psychiatric Nursing."

In September, the Physiotherapist of City Memorial Hospital, spoke on her program of work.

The Association presented a bond to Mrs. Ida Shore May, who was Night Supervisor for twenty-five years and retired August 15. Flowers were sent to two members during bereavement.

Four new members have been admitted to the Alumnae since June.

LAWRENCE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Cornelia Merritt, R.N., President

No Report

MARTIN MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Dorothy Monday, R.N., President

The Martin Memorial Hospital Alumnae Association has had six meetings with an average attendance of sixteen. The Association has forty active members.

The Association presented a check for $9 to two senior students, Miss Edwones and Miss Pruett for writing a paper on "What it Means to be a Nurse."

Donations: Cancer Fund - $10; The American Red Cross - $10; Greensboro Polio Building Fund - $25; and $10 to the City Memorial Hospital Fire Fund.

Interesting programs were provided by members, doctors and other guests.

In April, the members of the Association and other Mt. Airy nurses entertained District Two with an attendance of one hundred. Dr. Mitchell showed films of interesting scenes around Mt. Airy and in Florida.

In May, the Association and other graduates of Mt. Airy honored the graduating class with a supper meeting, and invited the staff doctors as guests. There were fifty-one present for the supper. Dr. Moir S. Martin showed a film of scenes in and around Mount Airy.

Dr. Caldwell has also shown films of "Bonny and Babies" and two on cancer.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Lucielle H. Oliver, R.N., President

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital Alumnae Association has had four meetings since the midyear meetings in March, with an average attendance of fifteen.

The "Alumnae News" is edited and mailed monthly to all members, including the two vacation months of July and August.

On June 25 and 26, we celebrated our first Homecoming. It was really a success! This big event marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of the hospital and the twenty-third anniversary of the school of nursing. Out of three hundred graduates from 1926 - 1948, one hundred and thirty returned home with a representation from each class. Two honorary members, Miss Edna L. Heinzerling, Director of Nurses, and Mrs. Frances Horne Smith, a former Instructor, were also present. The climax of the Homecoming was a banquet and dance in the Ballroom of the Robert E. Lee Hotel with an orchestra for the dance. We hope to have another before too long, in spite of the fact that we had to draw from our bank account. The Association sponsored a "Talent Show" in March and cleared $150. With the total expense of the Homecoming, which was approximately $600, the Association still has a balance of $210.

The Association assisted in sending Miss Griffin, a senior student, to Chicago to the Biennial Convention.

A tea was given in honor of the seniors at graduation, which proved so successful that the Association plans to continue this as a gift to each senior class.

For some time, the meetings have been held in the Nurses' Home, but at the last meeting plans were made to meet occasionally in individual homes. Several nurses who have children and are unable to leave them to attend meetings have requested the privilege of having meetings in their homes.

ROWAN MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Lillian H. Sides, R.N., President

No Report

ANSON SANATORIUM ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Ruby Hudson, R.N., President

No Report

CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Shirley Thompson, R.N., President

No Report

CHARLOTTE SANATORIUM ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Caroline Keasler, R.N., President

The Charlotte Sanatorium Alumnae Association, with a membership of fifty-two, has had ten meetings with an average attendance of twenty-one.

The Lucy Walton Memorial Fund was given by the family of Miss Lucy Walton, a former member, to be used as a loan to a student nurse or a graduate nurse for post-graduate work.

The Association also has a fund called "The Sick Nurses' Fund" to be used in sickness of members.

DAVIS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
V. Allison Clark, R.N., President

The Davis Hospital Alumnae Association, with a membership of one hundred and one, has had five meetings with an average attendance of twenty-five.

A delegate was sent to the Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association held in Asheville in October 1947 and to the midyear meeting of the Advisory Council in Raleigh in March 1948.

Donations: The American Red Cross - $10; Billingsly Memorial Hospital Fund (proposed colored hospital in Statesville) - $10; and cash gift to wife of deceased head orderly of hospital.

Other activities: Auction sale, picnic for nurses and their families, revival of Student Loan Fund, a gift to honor student for 1947 and 1948, and flowers were sent to sick and bereaved members.

The Association has had one death, Mrs. Nellie D. White Kennedy, R.N., of Statesville, a beloved Metropolitan nurse, who served in the Charlotte and Concord area.

GORDON CROWELL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Carl Lavin, R.N., President

No Report

H. F. LONG ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. C. H. Ballard, R.N., President

The H. F. Long Hospital Alumnae Association has had nine meetings with an average attendance of fourteen. The Association has forty-one active and fifteen inactive members.

Donations: March of Dimes - $10, The American Red Cross - $10, The Guest House of Duke - $5, Flowers for sick members and an Anatomy Chart for classrooms - $33.15, black bands for senior students - $2.40, and a gift sent to Miss Dorothy Dagenhart, R.N., a missionary in India.

In June the Association gave a dinner in honor of September 1948 graduating class. The Association also gave a nursing arts award to the best bedside nurse in the graduating class.

Mrs. Gladys Lackey and Miss Inez Holcomb were sent as delegates to the midyear Advisory Council meeting in Raleigh in March 1948.

The Association raised $6 from an auction sale and $10 from a Stanley Brush Party and has a balance of $143.07 in the treasury.

LOWRANCE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Ethel C. Patterson, R.N., President

No Report

MERCY ALUMNAL ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Edith H. Morris, R.N., President

The Mercy Hospital Alumnae Association has had a very active and interesting year. The members have been most active and cooperative. Ten regular meetings and one call meeting with an average attendance of twenty-three were held. The president attended the midyear Advisory Council meeting in Raleigh in March.

Plans: Furnishing a room in the new wing; entertaining the graduating class, pledged $500 to be used for recreational facilities for the student nurses.

The Program Committee has provided interesting programs of lectures, movies and public health.

Achievements: The Association raised $488.55--$66 from an apron sale and a turkey raffle; $137 from a fish fry given at the home of one of the members and $285.55 from a barbecue which the Association sponsored at O'Donoghue School. Thirty-four members of the graduating class were entertained at the El Morocco Supper Club. At the June meeting, a check for $515 was presented to the superintendent of nurses for the nurses' home. A plaque with the inscription "In honor of the members of Mercy Hospital Alumnae" will be placed in the new wing for the room which was furnished by the Association.

PRESBYTERIAN ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Elinor Ellwanger, R.N., President

The Presbyterian Alumnae Association has had nine meetings.

The program for the October meeting, which was held in the school's newly completed classrooms, consisted of talks by members employed in various fields of nursing, each describing her type of work. Members of the Pre-Clinical class were invited as special guests.

In November the program was conducted by members who were veterans of World War II. They presented a skit "The Nurse's Home Life in a Typical Field Setup in Africa."

In December officers for the new year were elected .. A Christmas Bingo party followed.

The January program consisted of a report of Miss Gretta Palmer's article "What Happens when the Nurse Won't Take Care of the Sick" and of Miss Mary Roberts' reply, which was followed by a discussion.

In February the Association presented a series of skits depicting the growth of and development of Presbyterian Hospital during the past fifty years. The student body and some of the older doctors were invited guests and many older graduates were present.

The Association was hostess to the Pre-clinical Class, their families, and friends at a reception following the capping ceremony in March.

The Association held open house, honoring the graduating class, in April.

An interesting program was presented at the May meeting by the Junior Class entitled "A Typical Day in the O.R."

A homecoming picnic supper and baby show were held on the Nurses' Home campus in June, with the oldest living graduate, class of 1903, as a special guest.

The Association has bought an ad in the students' annual and contributed to the Red Cross Disaster Fund. It has decided to send one red rose to each member when she is ill. Cards, flowers, and telegrams have been sent on various other occasions to express sympathy and condolence.

SHELBY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Ora Mae Willis, R.N., President

The Shelby Hospital Alumnae Association has forty-five members.

The Association made a donation of $10 to the Cancer Drive and has a representative on the Advisory Board of the Shelby Hospital and in the Blood Bank.

The balance in the treasury is $74.92.

ST. PETERS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Bessie Robinson, R.N., President

The St. Peters Hospital Alumnae Association, with a membership of fifty-two (resident thirty-one and non-resident twenty-one) has had nine meetings with an average attendance of eighteen.

Interesting and varied programs have been provided in addition to routine business. The Structure Study was discussed at the September meeting.

The Fellowship Committee has been very active giving special interest to the enrollment of inactive members.

Mrs. Lena Johnson represented the Association at the 1947 Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association in Asheville in October. Miss Day Chapman represented the Association at the midyear Advisory Council meeting in Raleigh in March. Each representative gave a report of the meeting which she attended.

The Association honored the Charlotte Memorial Hospital Alumnae Association at a barbecue dinner in November with D. E. R. Hipp as guest speaker. Mrs. George Mitchell also reviewed the history of St. Peters Hospital.

All members were remembered with flowers, cards or gifts during illness or bereavement.

Constitution and By-laws were amended.

DISTRICT FOUR — TWO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

ST. LEO'S ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Cleo G. Osborne, R.N., President

The St. Leo's Hospital Alumnae Association, with a membership of one hundred and twenty-four, has had six meetings, with an average attendance of twenty-four.

A dinner meeting was held at Bliss Restaurant in honor of the 1948 graduating class. Members of the Association enjoyed a weiner roast on the hospital lawn in May and a watermelon feast at the July meeting.

The Association gave $100 to the school of nursing toward a movie projector; $100 to Building and Loan toward furnishing a room in the hospital.

We are very proud of the interest shown by many of our nurses during the polio epidemic. Many nurses, living in the epidemic area, have worked long hours. Their outstanding efforts will long be remembered.

BURRUS MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Olene Reynolds, R.N., President

The Burrus Memorial Alumnae Association, with thirty-six active and one honorary member, has held three meetings.

The Association has had a fairly successful year. Even though the attendance has not been as good, more interest has been shown in the activities. The sick members have been remembered with flowers or gifts and books have been placed in the public library in memory of the late Miss Jackie Lassiter and Miss Wilma Webb.

It was unanimously voted to buy bonds with the $100 donated to the Association by the late Mrs. J. T. Burrus.

The president appointed Miss Hazel Johnson, Miss Ethel Hoxley and Mrs. Charles Spencer to revise the constitution and by-laws.

DUKE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mary C. Williams, R.N., President

The Duke University School of Nursing Alumnae Association, with an active membership of one hundred and fifty, has had eight monthly meetings.

The June meeting was the annual alumnae-senior entertainment, and a barbecue was given in honor of the graduating class. At this meeting, the officers for the coming year were announced, and the following senior awards were presented: The Alumnae Award, the Florence Nightingale Plaque was given to the senior who had shown outstanding qualities in leadership, scholarship and nursing skill. The Mosely Award of $25 (given by an alumnus of the school of nursing) was given to the graduating senior who had demonstrated the best bedside nursing care during her three years.

A benefit bridge was sponsored by the Alumnae, and $100 of the proceeds was presented to the Vespers Committee of the school of nursing toward a new spinet piano.

The Association cooperated with the General Alumnae of the University in the first Alumnae weekend since the war and also played a great part in the Loyalty Fund Drive. The Nurses' Alumnae ranked high in the contributions to this worthy cause.

Expenditures for the past year included over $85 for current publications of local and state papers and leading magazines for the Nurses' Home.

The Association has cooperated with The Good Health Association and North Carolina State Nurses' Association in student nurse recruitment. It has also cooperated in many university programs.

Our Endowment Fund now totals $1,500.

A news letter has been sent to each member during the year, in addition to many cards and personal letters.

Much credit for the accomplishments during the past year should be given to Miss Mildred Crawley, retiring president.

WATTS HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Allene Glasscoe, R.N., President

The Watts Hospital Alumnae Association, with seventy-five resident members and fifty-four non-resident members, has had nine meetings with an average attendance of fourteen.

The Association has had a very successful year. Programs have consisted of business, reports of committees and many interesting talks given by doctors, various other people and Alumnae members.

In December a formal dance was given for the members and various gifts were presented to the students and house mother, who have helped with our meetings.

New officers were elected the first of the year.

An old-fashion square dance was given in March to help raise money and the Association cleared $67.

In May the graduating class of 1948 was honored at an informal banquet.

A committee has been working on revisions of the By-Laws of Watts Alumnae Association. These revisions will be presented to District Five at the October meeting.

The Association has a balance of $107.

DISTRICT SIX THREE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

DOROTHEA DIX ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Shellie Bowden, R.N., President

The Dorothea Dix Alumnae Association, with fifty-two active members, has had nine meetings with an average attendance of twenty. The Association has six new members this year.

Special programs provided: A Christmas program and party for District Six, Valentine party and bingo and card party.

Fifteen bouquets of flowers were sent to sick members.

Gifts presented by the Association: A gift to superintendent of hospital, superintendent of nurses at Christmas, Christmas boxes to students on affiliation and to one sick member, ten gifts to members, four gifts to interns, and Florence Nightingale lamps to graduating class.

The Association had a homecoming and banquet for all non-resident members and gave a dinner party in honor of the graduating class.

Donations: The American Red Cross - $25, and Nurses' Library - $90.

The Association cooperated with the Medical Auxiliary in giving a tea in honor of "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948."

MARY ELIZABETH ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Gertrude Bunn, R.N., President

The Mary Elizabeth Hospital Alumnae Association, with a membership of forty, has held nine meetings with an average attendance of twelve.

$16.70 was spent for cards, flowers, gifts and telegrams which were sent to members during illness and $7.25 for gifts to students.

Balance in treasury - $59.54 and $500 in war bonds.

REX ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Jeannette F. Danieley, R.N., President

The Rex Hospital Alumnae Association has held nine monthly meetings and two executive meetings with an average attendance of thirty. Three meetings were held in private homes. The Association has one hundred and eight members (seventy-four resident; thirty-four non-resident; three honorary members; two reinstated members; and twenty-seven new members). We have tried to make the meetings during the year a real social hour with the business at the beginning of each meeting. This has stimulated interest and more younger graduates have attended the meetings.

In October we had our homecoming, with an attendance of one hundred and forty-six members, which everyone enjoyed. The food was excellent, and we are grateful to the hospital administration for the marvelous dinner. In January a spelling bee was held. In March the Association was host to District Six, at which time the district contest to select a candidate for the state contest to crown "Miss North Carolina Student Nurse of 1948" was held. The Association entertained the graduating class of 1948 at a dance in the ballroom of the Nurses' Home, and the Rex Coat of Arms was presented to the class. In September Mrs. Marie B. Noell discussed "Structure Study of the National Nursing Organization." We are cooperating with District Six in supporting Nursing Progress Week and Linda Richards Day.

The Association donated $5 to the Mary Lewis Wyche Loan Fund.

All sick nurses were remembered with cards, telegrams of condolence, and flowers in case of death. Flowers were sent to an honorary member who died in January.

DISTRICT SEVEN — FOUR ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

BAKER-THOMPSON MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Sadie Cashwell, R.N., President

The Baker-Thompson Memorial Hospital Alumnae Association has had nine monthly meetings with an average attendance of fifteen.

A dinner party was given at the Pinecrest Country Club in honor of the graduating class.

Officers of the Association are: President - Mrs. Sadie Cashwell; Vice-President - Mrs. G. F. Simmons; Secretary - Mrs. Dora Turner; Treasurer - Mrs. V. D. Baker, Jr.; Directors - Mrs. Austin Edwards and Mrs. Grace Smith.

HIGHSMITH ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Elizabeth Maxwell, R.N., President

No Report

SANATORIUM ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Ruth Whitley, R.N., President

No Report

PITTMAN ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Maggie Covington, R.N., President

No Report

DISTRICT EIGHT — FIVE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

CAROLINA GENERAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Priscilla Ballance, R.N., President

The Carolina General Hospital Alumnae Association, since the midyear Advisory Council meeting in March, has held four regular monthly meetings. Each meeting is held on the first Thursday in each month. The average attendance has been twenty-five. The total membership consists of forty-three active members and three inactive members.

The Association furnished new drapes for the hospital dining hall, donated $25 to the Nellie McCowan Library for the purpose of binding books and buying new ones and other donations have been given to the various drives of the civic organizations in our city.

PARK VIEW ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. L. E. McLamb, R.N., President

No Report

ROANOKE RAPIDS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Louise Starke, R.N., President

The Raonoke Rapids Hospital Alumnae Association has had nine meetings, with an average attendance of fifteen. The low attendance was due to the fact that so many nurses were on duty.

The Association presented gifts to the graduating class, sent flowers in case of death of nurses' parents, and sent a delegate to the Annual Convention of the State Nurses' Association.

ROCKY MOUNT SANATORIUM ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. A. M. Thompson, R.N., President

The Rocky Mount Sanatorium Alumnae Association, with a membership of thirty, has had nine monthly meetings during the year with an average attendance of fifteen.

The programs have consisted of talks and reports of various nursing meetings and conventions. In June the Association jointly entertained with Park View Hospital Alumnae Association at a picnic. A Christmas Party was enjoyed in the home of Mrs. Lena Pollard.

Donations: To help pay delegates' expenses to Annual Convention held in Asheville - $20, and delegate to Biennial Convention in Chicago - $25; party and gift for Registrar on her twenty-fifth anniversary - $10; improvements in Nurses' Home and hospital - $35; Christmas party for staff members - $10; entertaining District Eight - $31.50; gift for graduating nurses - $25.

The Association has a balance of $294.14 in the treasury.

WOODARD-HERRING ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Mrs. Stella Winstead, R.N., President

The Woodard-Herring Hospital Alumnae Association, with a membership of fifty-two, has had nine meetings with an average attendance of twenty.

Interesting lectures have been arranged by the Program Chairman, and this has stimulated more interest in the Association. A dance was given in honor of the graduating class and a medal was presented to the outstanding graduate. In September the Association and Carolina General Hospital Alumnae Association jointly entertained District Eight, at which time we were delighted to have Miss Florence Wilson, Dean of Duke University School of Nursing, as our guest speaker.

The Association has subscribed to the American Journal of Nursing for the student library.

Money has been raised by giving parties and selling Christmas cards.

The Association is proud of Emily Norton and Inez Finch, who volunteered to nurse at a polio hospital during the epidemic.

DISTRICT NINE — ONE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

JAMES WALKER MEMORIAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
Nina Scott, R.N., President

The James Walker Memorial Hospital Alumnae Association, with a membership of forty-nine, has held three meetings with an average attendance of twelve.

The Association has remembered all sick nurses with gifts or flowers, and the doctors' families with flowers during bereavement.

In May the Association and District Nine entertained the graduating class with a picnic at Greenfield Lake, and presented each member of the class with a gift.

Miss Nina Scott represented the Association at the Midyear Advisory Council meeting in Raleigh in March.

The Association has a balance of $58.56 in the treasury.

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